

INJURED WORKMEN'S Unknown Perils From Chemicals

"THIS case is rather like the Croydon typhoid case in as much as we now know much that we didn't know before," said Mr. H. J. Wallington, K.C., in the King's Bench Division recently when a settlement involving the payment of £8,500 damages to two workmen in a chemical factory was mentioned to Mr. Justice Lewis.

Plaintiffs were Eric Laurence Lee and Sydney Stephen Radford, employees of the Leyton Manufacturing Company, Limited, of Hainault Road, Leytonstone.

Mr. Cartwright Sharp, K.C., for the workmen, said there was not now any doubt that, owing to vapours arising from certain chemicals, very grave personal injuries had been inflicted on the plaintiffs. The point in the case was whether that was due to the negligence of the company.

"Radford is in a terrible state," he added, "and Lee is suing by his 'next friend' as he is incapable of managing his own affairs."

UNABLE TO WORK AGAIN

Mr. Sharp said Lee would receive £3,500 and Radford £5,000, clear of all costs. Lee would probably never be able to do any work again. The workmen's case was that though steps were taken to protect the men from the vapours they were insufficient.

The chemicals manufactured formed a new industry in this country, and the company maintained that they now knew more about the dangers than they could have known earlier.

Mr. Wallington, for the company, said before they began the manufacture they made exhaustive inquiries in America and Germany through the Home Office. They were so satisfied with the results of those inquiries that they thought there was no danger at all.

Mr. Justice Lewis, approving the settlement, said it did seem as if the defendants had a good defence. An employer could only do what was reasonable, and they had taken the precautions in regard to what danger was known.

Queen Approves Crinolines

Crinolines have been approved by the Queen for wear by debutantes at Court presentations this year.

She wore one herself recently, and gave the fashion a big lift. Now they have been chosen as the equals of formal, straight Court dresses for wearing with trains and feathers, they are established as a fashion which will last perhaps for years.

Mme. Handley-Seymour has made two Court designs with crinolines skirts as wide as the most advanced Paris models.

British Trade In China

A FURTHER question was asked in the House of Commons recently regarding the interference by Japan with British trade in the Far East:

Mr. Moreing asked the Prime Minister whether he is aware that a British firm in Tsingtao have complained to His Majesty's Consul-General that the Japanese naval mission has signified that permits to import dyed cloth into Tsingtao will be refused unless accompanied by a certificate that the goods are of Japanese manufacture; and what action he has taken in the matter?

Mr. Butler: Yes, Sir, and my Noble Friend is awaiting a full report on the matter.

Mr. Moreing: Is my right hon. Friend aware that these restrictions are being applied not only to imports into China but also to exports; and may I have an opportunity of discussing the matter with him?

Mr. Butler: I shall be very glad to discuss the matter with my hon. Friend.

Cows Betray Fugitive

BRISBANE, Australia. Ronald Auburn Chapman, 20, would like to berate the curiosity of the female sex in general and that of cows in particular. He had escaped from the Rockhampton Jail and had concealed himself in a hollow log when a herd of cows, gathering around in a semi-circle, attracted the attention of a constable.

She Has 2 'Planes And A "Rolls"

Salisbury. Fifty-six-years-old Mrs. Margaret Hollands, of Quorley, Andover, who owns two aeroplanes and a Rolls-Royce car, was charged with her son Francis at Salisbury recently with the theft of a tarpaulin used to cover one of her planes.

She was fined £4, with 6s. 3d. costs, and her son was fined £1. She was allowed a month in which to pay.

In her lamp-lit bungalow, standing in ten acres of grounds, Mrs. Hollands told how she came to own the planes and car.

"I brought the aeroplane as junk for my son to study aeronautics and the Rolls, which formerly belonged to Sir William Whiteley, and originally cost £5,000, I picked up for £15 three years ago.

PLANNED HIRE SERVICE

"I intended starting a hire service with the car but I found it was impracticable. I kept it, hoping it might be useful in a film or for breaking up.

"My son, who is 22 years of age, has a life ambition to become an air pilot but unfortunately he has a weak heart and has been forbidden to work.

"All the same he is studying aeronautics and when I was offered an old Avro machine very cheaply, I bought it for him.

"The other machines is a Bristol fighter which belonged to a friend of mine. He could not afford to pay hangar fees and I offered to house the machine.

LEFT PENNILESS

"I was brought up luxuriously and my husband was a famous musician some years ago. He was known professionally as 'Herr Frischer'.

"I travelled with him on four round-the-world tours, and he was earning thousands a year. He lived up to it, and when he found his resources at an end he took his life. I was left penniless.

"Since his death I have been trying to live by doing needlework.

"In the police court it was said I had written begging letters. I have only written one—three years ago. I wrote to a titled woman in London who knew my husband at the height of his career and asked her to assist me.

"She mistook my genuine appeal and informed the police."

FAITH HEALING

El Reno, Okla. A "faith healer" helped an El Reno woman place \$93 in currency in a bandage on her injured knee, asserting that the money would cure the ailment. When the bandage was removed, the \$93 was missing. The woman sought the police.

£8,500

GOOD NEIGHBOUR



Dr. Oswaldo Aranha, Brazil's Foreign Minister, chatting with newspapermen as he arrived in New York for a week of conference with Administration leaders in Washington. The tall, suave Brazilian, a good friend of the United States ever since his term as Ambassador in Washington, said there was little likelihood of totalitarianism in Brazil.

Royal Yacht To Be Hospital Ship

The King's Wish Revealed

A HIGH OFFICIAL of the Admiralty revealed recently that the King had said that in the event of war, the Royal Yacht would become available as a hospital ship.

Therefore the new yacht, for which provision is made in the estimates just published, would be a ship of the highest standing.

Although the estimates show a gross total of £153,000,001, and are the largest ever presented in peace time, it is almost certain that they will be even higher next year, the official added.

It was also stated that there is a shortage of young officers and that the Admiralty were looking for other methods to increase the number.

PROMOTION SCHEME

They hoped shortly to publish a scheme dealing with the Naval Reserve and the Volunteer Reserve, which would offer promotion—not only from warrant rank, but also direct from the lower deck.

The Navy will have under construction during 1939 two hundred ships of various kinds.

Film Life Of Lord Kitchener

WAR OFFICE records of the sinking of H.M.S. Hampshire, in which Lord Kitchener lost his life, will be made public for the first time in a film of the life of Kitchener of Khartoum which Herbert Wilcox is to produce.

"The full details of the sinking of the Hampshire will come out in the film," Mr. Wilcox said when he left Southampton in the liner-Normandie on his way to Hollywood to find an actor for the leading role.

WORLD-FAMOUS

"I am hoping to bring back with me an English actor who is world-famous, but who has never made a film in England," he said. He would not deny that he was referring to Ronald Colman.

Sir Robert Vansittart, Chief Diplomatic Adviser to the Government, has written the book, and the film will be made at Dordham with the full co-operation of the War Office, the Admiralty and members of Kitchener's family.

It will deal with Kitchener's life from the Sudan days to the great war. Queen Victoria will appear for three minutes, and this part will probably be played by Anna Neagle.

Scarlet Pimpernel Freed: 'Lost Everything'

Somewhere in Sussex. THE Scarlet Pimpernel of the Spanish war, Captain Edwin Christopher Lance, D.S.O., who for the last eighteen months had lived in a prison under the daily threat of the execution squad, arrived secretly in England recently.

Captain Lance was accused by the Spanish Republicans of having smuggled out of the country more than 100 men and women of noble birth, wealth, or political hostility.

"I was regarded as the most dangerous man in the country," he said. "I had two crime sheets. No. 1 accused me of being a spy, No. 2 of being an accomplice.

"At the moment I am the most ignorant man in Europe. I do not know what has been happening for the last year and a half. When I crossed the French border with the British Minister in Barcelona, Mr. Ralph Stevenson, I had to ask him who was King of England now.

"I have lost everything I had except my gold signet-ring. My father gave it to me on my twenty-first birthday, and I have hidden it in many places, including my mouth and between my toes.

"Towards the end of last week, when things were getting bad, there were 2,000 of us imprisoned in a former monastery near Figueras, El Coll. Before that there had been only 300.

"Seven others were packed with me in my tiny cell. Before that I was in the Uruguay, the prison ship in Barcelona port. Once or twice,

POLICE STATION QUIET

Raymond, N. H. Peace, it's wonderful, Oscar Littlefield was so annoyed when firemen disturbed his slumber to quell a blaze in his cot that he whistled for his dog and trekked to the police station, demanded a bed and finished his night's rest there.

The Little Dog Laughed...

SKIPPER is only a puppy, but when he was taken to a wedding at Ramsgate, Kent, recently and was tied up in the church porch and expected to wait outside until the service was over, his doggie soul revolted.

His tail twitched angrily; his little black nose quivered with indignation; and then he lifted up his voice in protest.

Inside the Holy Trinity Church, the rector, the Rev. R. W. Dunsall, paused in the service and asked: "Will the owner of the dog barking outside please bring him into the church so that the service may not be disturbed?"

Bride and bridegroom—Miss Jean Brimley and Mr. R. N. Haslewood—waited while a young woman blushing rose, went outside and returned with the puppy in her arms.

The service was finished without further interruption.

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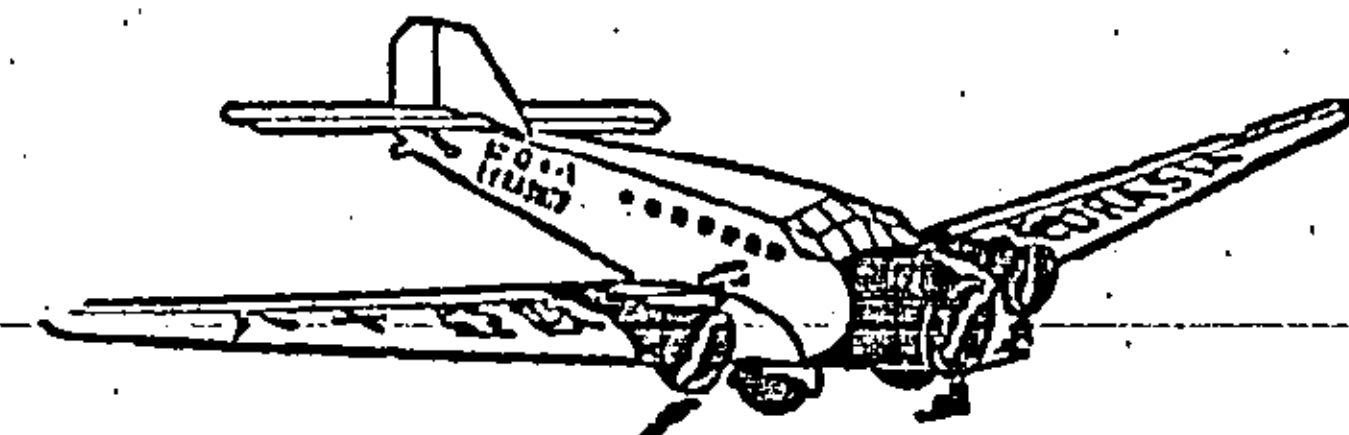
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MAID MEETS HER MILLIONAIRE

MR. Nusli Whaddia, 62-years-old rich Parsee cotton merchant, who left Bombay on January 16, arrived at Victoria Station, London, recently, and was met by Mr. Downs, his legal adviser.

They walked to the Grosvenor Hotel, where Mr. Whaddia said he intended to make a statement about his position and that of Miss Phyllis Britton, who has been staying as a guest at Glyn House, his Epsom home.

"Until then I have nothing to say. I resent all this public intrusion in what is a very personal and private affair," he added.

Mr. Whaddia, who was smartly dressed in a grey "Eden" hat, wore a red carnation in his buttonhole. After waiting for 20 minutes in the lounge he was met by Miss Britton, who had been having her hair dressed.

"AT LAST"

A radiant smile spread over her face as she joined him. She said, "Oh, darling, here you are at last!"

They linked arms and walked quickly out of the hotel together and got into a black saloon car.

As they were driven away towards Epsom they kissed each other.

Mr. Whaddia's English wife, Mrs. Gertrude Whaddia, an actress, said.

"I have no intention of arranging a meeting with my husband. So far as I am concerned, the matter is in the hands of my solicitors."

Dictionary Kept Wife Silent For 20 Years

"To my wife's silence."

"That," said Mr. J. E. Manson recently, "should be the dedication of the French and English dictionary, which I have recently completed after a labour of 20 years."

"From 7.30 to 11.30 every night, she has not been able to speak to me. And if she had, I wouldn't have heard her."

"Believe me, I haven't been to the theatre more than six times in 20 years, and never to the cinema, though I'm a great lover of the drama. But in the last three months, since the book has been finished, I've broken out and spent three or four nights a week in one or the other."

5,000,000 WORDS

Mr. Manson, 68-year-old director of Harp's, the publishers, held up a massive quarto volume, with 1,500 pages, containing 5,000,000 words.

"If you start to edit a dictionary you will find there is no time for anything else," he said.

"We started 20 years ago. We expected to produce the finished article in five years. We were so green."

"In 15 years we had got the French-English part out. It took another five years to complete the English-French part."

COST £60,000

"Sometimes long correspondence was necessary with French experts. We filled up 300,000 cards, each referring to some interpretation of a word or phrase."

"When I say we, I include my six or seven assistants. Their salaries have accounted for most of the £60,000 that the dictionary has cost."

"You can call it my life work if you wish. But I don't feel my life's work is done."

"I've got to keep the dictionary up to date. Phrases are translated into current idiom, not into out-of-date and archaic phraseology."

"But you can be sure my wife and I are setting out to enjoy ourselves, now."

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Eurico Pentado, left, financial attache of the Brazilian Embassy in Washington, and leading representative of the Brazilian coffee growers, meets the famed Oscar of the Waldorf, during a recent visit to the Waldorf-Astoria in New York. Oscar originated several coffee dishes, on that occasion, in honour of the distinguished visitor.

£5,000 Spent to 'Launch' A Debutante

SOCIETY mothers are spending as much as £5,000 on launching their young daughters into the whirl of the London "season."

This was revealed recently by Mrs. Horace Farquharson, silver-haired "social consultant."

From her bureau in Dover-street, Mayfair, she advises on Court etiquette, coming-out balls, and clothes for all the big events of the debs' social season.

School Refused To Sing 'The King'

NEWCASTLE (Staffs).

MR. W. Greene, Secretary of a Stoke colliery company, has protested to the British Legion because Brownhills High School, Stoke, refused his daughter Eileen's request for the National Anthem to be sung at the end of the school's Christmas party.

Eileen, aged fifteen, is a pupil there.

"Even if it means that my girl becomes marked at school and I have to take her away, I am going to carry through with this matter," said Mr. Greene. "I am prepared to take my protest to the education committee."

"THAT IS WHY ..."

"I believe that the monarchical system is the basis of Britain's greatness. That is why I taught my girl to be patriotic. That is why she asked for 'God Save the King' to be sung at the end of the party."

"When she told me she was refused I felt the matter ought to be raised for the sake of other girls, even though it means my child possibly becoming uncomfortable at the school."

Miss A. E. Wilmott, headmistress of Brownhills since it was opened seventeen years ago, said that she remembered the incident.

"Eileen told me her father thought the National Anthem ought to be sung at the end of the party, but she asked me only a few hours before the party."

"I told her it was too late to alter the programme, which had been arranged by the sixth form girls. The party ended with 'Auld Lang Syne'."

"I said that Eileen and the two other girls with her could sing the National Anthem as an item at the party, but they did not."

"On the coming-out of each girl between £1,000 and £3,000 will be spent," said Mrs. Farquharson. "Some parents spend as much as £5,000."

"Clothes are a big item. While I could dress a deb, for the season in good style for £250, it is sometimes overdone to the tune of £1,000 to £1,500."

"At least seven evening gowns are essential. Most expensive is the Court presentation frock for which the lowest price is about £20."

One of the greatest problems of a hostess is the lack of eligible male partners.

"And that's where my aid is often enlisted," said Mrs. Farquharson.

"I have a list of well-bred young men who are ready to act as escorts at a moment's notice for a fee."

Says 'My Party Was Speck In The Ocean'

A GAMBLING party hostess, known in the West End as "Madame Estelle," recently described the party for which she was fined £60 at Marlborough-street police court as "Just a speck in the ocean of West End gambling."

"Madame Estelle" has been famous in Mayfair for twenty years for her psychic powers. In private life she is Miss Frances Bergman, aged forty-two.

The police court story told how police raided her West End flat in the early morning last week and found twelve people playing roulette.

On a table were chips worth £97 10s. 6d. The windows were heavily screened with curtains.

Superintendent Cole said: "Miss Bergman has been under our notice for some time. But as the parties are held in different parts of the West End, without previous notice except to the clients on the day of play, by telephone, it has given us a great deal of trouble to clear the matter up."

That night Miss Bergman, dressed in a turquoise blue nylon evening dress, six jewelled rings on her fingers, a glittering pendant of twelve blue brilliants around her neck and more than a dozen gold and silver bracelets on her right arm, prepared to go to a West End party.

"I LOVE PARTIES"

She said: "All those who ever attended my gambling parties were my personal friends. Gambling is not my business, it was my pleasure. I've been a gambler, a horse lover, all my life. I love fun, I love parties, and I like to make people happy."

"The biggest wins or losses at my parties were never more than £100. But I know places in the West End where people win and lose in £1,000 units."

"I wish I knew who told the police of my party. I believe it was either some jealous woman or some one who had played and lost at one of my parties and hoped to escape the debt that way."

"You'd be surprised at the people in the gambling world. There's a diamond merchant's wife who owes me £100. I don't believe her husband knows she gambles."

"You'll never stop people from gambling. A real gambler is incurable. But I'm no professional."

"For my living, I run a riding stable with ten horses in Kensington, and two eighteen-hole putting courses at Falmouth. And now I'm off to a party. I love a good time, horses, people and ... parties."

Gas Masks For 1,000,000 Babies

SIR JOHN ANDERSON, Minister for Civilian Defence, informed M.P.s recently that 40,000,000 gas masks had been issued during the last 12 months to the civilian population at a total cost of £4,000,000.

During the last six months a satisfactory device had been developed for years, and the production of all parts had been commenced except one, which was being pushed forward with all possible speed.

A special type of respirator had also been developed for infants over two years, and the purchase was being arranged. The total number to be made available was 1,000,000.

Sir John stated that the possibilities of constructing underground car parks which would also give some shelter protection had received his very careful consideration, in consultation with the Minister of Transport. He was arranging for immediate expert examination of certain technical problems involved.

HOSPITAL ACTIVITIES

Mr. Ellis, Minister of Health, announced that plans had been made for finding about 200,000 beds in existing hospitals and institutions in the first 24 hours of an emergency by sending patients home and transferring them to other accommodation and by putting additional beds and equipment in the wards.

Another 100,000 could be found later by using an ancillary part of hospitals not at present used as wards.

Local authorities were making good progress in securing the necessary transport for ambulance work. In London, for instance, 1,200 commercial vehicles had already been earmarked, and the work of earmarking a further 800 was proceeding rapidly.

Grew Beard, His Voice Returned

THIRTY-SIX years ago a singer lost his voice completely. He grew a beard. Now, at 76, his tenor voice is stronger than ever.

Recently the singer, Mr. J. W. Leach, of Blackpool, now bearded, sang at the birthday celebration dinner of Blackpool Dickensians.

Mr. Leach started to sing when he was eight. When he was 40 his voice went.

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things because it is impossible that
any other than heroic people should
back so heroic a soldier."

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nation, and you, my Fuehrer, have
brought freedom and honour, courage
and greatness to this nation, and to
maintain these at this hour is the
pledge of all Germans."—Trans-
Ocean.

He Wed The Queen's Niece

"Love in a cottage" does not make
the ideal marriage, according to Mr.
Kenneth Harrington.

At the age of 26, he was a junior
assistant in the Diplomatic Service,
had been engaged for four years to the
Queen's niece, Miss Cecilia
Bowes-Lyon.

They broke off the engagement be-
cause they could not afford to marry.
They waited for nearly two years.

He works in the City with the
British Metal Corporation. "I did
not think it fair to her to marry
when I was in a junior position.
Now I am glad we waited," he said.

To their friends the re-engagement
and marriage was no surprise.

WAS IN STOCKHOLM

The bride is 27. She is the eldest
daughter of Lord Glamis, a brother
of the Queen and heir to the Earl
of Strathmore, and lives at East
Grinstead, Sussex.

The bridegroom is the youngest
son of the late Judge Edward Har-
rington, a county court judge. From
1930 to 1932 he was hon. attaché to
the British Legation in Stockholm.

At the age of 21, she was brides-
maid at the wedding of the King and
Queen at Westminster Abbey.

ELECTION OF J. P.

Successor to Mr. Archbutt
On Licensing Board

An election by the Justices of the
Peace of a Justice of the Peace to
serve on the Licensing Board, in
place of Mr. G. S. Archbutt,
who is absent from the Colony on
long leave, will take place in the
Council Chamber of the Urban
Council on Tuesday, April 4 at 4 p.m.

Forms of nomination may be ob-
tained at the Magistracy, Hongkong.
Every nomination must be delivered
to Mr. H. A. D. Forrest, First Police
Magistrate, not less than six days
before the day fixed for the election.

Only unofficial Justices of the Peace
are entitled to vote.

Voting will commence at 4 p.m.
and continue until 6 p.m. when the
ballot-box will be closed.

STANLEY GAOL HEAD

Lieut.-Cmdr. Harrison
Takes up New Post

The appointment of Lieut.-Cmdr.
Wilfrid Hugh Lane Harrison, R.N.
(Ret.) as Superintendent of Hong-
kong Prison, Stanley, was notified in
the Government Gazette on Satur-
day. Lieut.-Cmdr. Harrison arrived
in the Colony and assumed duty on
March 15.

Returning from the Royal Navy in
1932, Lieut.-Cmdr. Harrison spent
two and a half years in the Prisons
Department in England, and during
the past four years had been attached
to the Prisons Department in Kenya
Colony.

The Superintendent of Stanley
Prison is a new post recently created.

K.C.C. ACTIVITIES

Mr. E. Glanville, magician and
illusionist, will give a performance
next Friday at the Kowloon Cricket
Club, commencing at 9.15 p.m.
Admission will be free for members
and their friends.

The Kowloon Cricket Club's next
dance has been arranged for Satur-
day, April 1, from 9.30 p.m. to 2.30
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Notice is hereby given that
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of 130, Austin Rd., Kowloon,
Hong Kong, is applying to the
Governor for naturalization, and
that any person who knows any
reason why naturalization should
not be granted should send a
written and signed statement of
the facts to the Colonial Secretary,
Hong Kong.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the FIFTY-FOURTH ORDIN-
ARY YEARLY MEETING of the
Company (since registration) will
be held at the Hong Kong Hotel,
Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, the
28TH MARCH, 1939, at 11.30 a.m.
for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the General Managers
together with a Statement of
Accounts for the year ended
31ST OCTOBER, 1938.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from
SATURDAY, the 18TH MARCH,
1939, to TUESDAY, the 28TH
MARCH, 1939, both days inclusive.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 10th March, 1939.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders

The Seventieth Ordinary General
Meeting of Shareholders will be
held at the Offices of the under-
signed on Friday, the 24th March,
1939, at Noon, for the purpose of
receiving the Report of the General
Managers, together with a state-
ment of Accounts for the year
ended the 31st December, 1938.

The Share Register and Trans-
fer Books will be closed from the
10th to the 24th March, 1939, both
days inclusive.
JARDINE, MATHESON &
CO., LTD.
General Managers,
The Hongkong Fire Insurance
Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1939.

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders

THE FIFTY-SECOND ORDIN-
ARY ANNUAL MEETING of
SHAREHOLDERS will be held at
the Office of Messrs. Jardine,
Matheson & Co., Ltd. on THURSDAY,
23rd MARCH, 1939, at
NOON, for the purpose of receiv-
ing the Report of the Directors
and the Statement of Accounts
for the year ended 31st December,
1938.

The Transfer Books of the
Company will be CLOSED from
MONDAY, the 13th March, 1939,
to THURSDAY, the 23rd March,
1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of
Directors,
C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary and Manager.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1939.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange
official summary issued at 12.30 p.m.
Saturday, says:

The market was quiet during the
short session. The turnover was on
a restricted scale at slightly lower
prices than those ruling yesterday.

Buyers	Sellers
Yauwatt Ferries (Old) \$25	Union Insurance \$40
Canton Ice \$1	Providents (Old) \$50.00
Wing On (H.K.) \$45	H. & S. Hotels \$24
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan \$1	Telephones (Old) \$23
Cement \$14 1/2	

Hongkong Bank \$1,350	United Paracels \$1.75
Union Insurance \$470	
H.K. Docks \$10 1/2	
Providents (Old) \$50.00	
H. & S. Hotels \$24	
Yauwatt Ferries (Old) \$25	
China Lights (Old) \$20.70	
Watsons \$9	
Antamoks \$1.41 1/2	
Atoka \$2.27	
Bagu Gold \$1.26 1/2	
Gonggut Consol. \$12.00	
Coco Grove \$1.45	
Consol. Mines \$1.02 1/2	
Demonstrations \$1.14 1/2	
I. X. L. \$1.43	
Paracels \$1.17	
San Maurice \$1.30	
Suyoo \$1.20	
United Paracels \$1.75	

HONGKONG'S FIRST DOG SHOW

Initial Venture Draws Public Support

The first cat and dog show to be held in Hongkong for many
years attracted entirely unanticipated public support yesterday
when crowds streamed into the matcheds in Garden Road, opposite
the Peak tram station. Nearly 3,000 people were estimated to have
visited the show during the day and were treated to an entertaining
and interesting spectacle, as the 129 exhibits included dozens of
varieties of animals.

Despite the continual procession of
spectators through the entrance
gates, the 45 classes on the pro-
gramme were judged with a pre-
cision that made it difficult to be-
lieve that the organisers were deal-
ing with an initial function of this
type. Arrangements ran so smoothly
throughout, spectators were enabled
by loud-speakers and notice boards
to follow the progress of the judging;
and exhibitors found none of the
frustrating delays generally attendant
to such shows. For this success, the
show has to thank Messrs. E. C.
Frederick, President, and H. M.
Howell, Secretary.

As a spectacle the show provided
a refreshing addition to the Colony's
attractions and if, as Mr. Frederick
promised in a short speech, it be-
comes an annual event, next year is
bound to see even greater interest
from public and exhibitors.

While the number of entries sur-
passed the organisers, it did not fully
represent the Colony's feline and
canine population, mainly because of
the stipulation that animals had to
have a rabies inoculation certificate
since March 20, 1938. Many owners
who had had their animals inoculated
just prior to that date did not wish
to give them treatment again so
soon before the show as it was likely
to affect the animals' conditions.

Children Delighted

A large number of the sightseers
were children, and for them the show
was particularly entertaining as the
exhibits covered a wide field, from
the highly Great Dane and Alsatian
to miniature Pekingese and several
interesting litters. Probably the
most popular dog in the whole show
was Mr. Hommel's Great Dane, Holga
of Asgard which, four days before
had whelped a litter of four. All day
a large crowd congregated round her
bench to see the tiny creature which
have not yet opened their eyes.

Veteran exhibit of the show was
Mr. J. T. Prior's crossbred pointer
setter Jack Hobbs, which was whelped
12 years ago.

The judges were unanimous that
the quality of the dogs on show was
above their expectations. One who
had had experience in judging in
Shanghai, declared that although he
had been in Hongkong for some
years he had no extent of the num-
ber and quality of the Colony's well
bred dogs.

Champion dog of the entire show
was judged to be C. F. Wood's
Great Dane, Tiger of Cuddington,
which came in for a great deal of
attention from the spectators. To
Mr. Wood went the Challenge Cup
presented by Lane, Crawford Ltd.
Other challenge cups for the best
bitch, China bred dog and bitch,
puppy and Afghan hound were pre-
sented by the Dairy Farm, E. C.
Frederick, Spillers Ltd., A. F. Sher-
ley & Co., and Mrs. H. M. Howell.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir
Geoffrey Northcote, Lady Northcote
and Mr. A. Northcote, were at-
tentive spectators at the main judg-
ing ring in the afternoon. The
trophies were presented by Lady
Northcote.

Proceeds of the show will be given
to the Hongkong Society for the Pre-
vention of Cruelty to Animals.
Officials responsible for the show were
Messrs. E. C. Frederick (President),
H. M. Howell (Secretary), Thomson
& Co. (Treasurers), Mrs. S. Hogg,
Mrs. Kilburn-Morris, W. T. Stanton,
Fred Kew, W. Ruston, H. C. Watson
(Committee), Major Frank Hogg and
Major F. Simpson (Veterinaries),
Major White, Messrs. Lewis, Jardine,
Forbes, Hutchison and Tze (Ring
Stewards). The judges were Major
Heene, Mrs. Fraser, Mrs. Thomas,
Dr. Watson, Mrs. Simon White,
Messrs. Slattery, Prentiss, Prior, Wal-
lace, Singer, and Amps and Mrs. Kil-
burn-Morris.

Prize List

Best dog of show—C. F. Wood's great
 Dane, Tiger of Cuddington, Mrs. W.
 champion, Mrs. Farrar's wire-haired fox
 terrier PUNCH.
 Best bitch of show—Mrs. Merritt's
 cocker spaniel Gena Duchess of Corn-
 morin. Reserve champion, C. J.
 Miles's wire-haired fox terrier Bushwood
 Girl.
 Best China-bred dog—Mrs. Merritt's
 wire-haired fox terrier PUNCH. Reserve
 champion, Miss Fearon's Tibetan terrier
 Ping Eih.
 Best China-bred bitch—Mrs. Merritt's
 cocker spaniel Gena Duchess of Corn-
 morin. Reserve champion, Mrs. D. Tolan's
 Akitaian Faithful.
 Litter—Mrs. Wallace's Alsatians, Mrs.
 Seldin's Japanese, Mrs. Danes (Highly
 commended).
 Toys—Mrs. Cecil's Pekingese Chin Kee,
 Mrs. Seldin's Japanese, Mrs. Danes (Highly
 commended).
 Greyhound—Mrs. Danes' Dinkey, Lady Mac-
 kinnon's Pekingese Wu H. C. C. C.
 Tibetan—Mrs. Stanton's Sonny, Mrs.
 Stanton's Michael, Mrs. Stanton's Jack,
 Mrs. Stanton's Amy (H. C. C.).
 Beagles—Mrs. Stanton's Domino,
 Mrs. Stanton's Hezekiah, Mrs. Stanton's
 Peer's Spud.
 Fox terriers (smooth haired)—Mrs.
 Martin's Nipper, Mrs. Deacon's Bonzo,
 Mrs. Stella Hand's Pips (H. C. C.). Wire-
 haired (China-bred)—Mrs. Farrar's
 champion, Mrs. Danes' Faithful, Mrs. W.
 Judy, Mrs. Cooper's Paddy (H. C. C.).
 Imported—Mrs. Seldin's Bushwood Girl,
 Mrs. Seldin's Dinkey, Mrs. Seldin's
 Robert's Bonzo (H. C. C.). Open—Mrs.
 Farrar's PUNCH, G. H. Miles's Bushwood
 Girl.
 Bull terriers—Mrs. Wells's Dopey, Mrs.
 Flanagan's Ambrose.
 Cocker spaniels (puppies)—Mrs. Mer-
 ritt's cocker spaniel Gena Duchess of Corn-
 morin, Mrs. Seldin's cocker spaniel Gena
 Duchess of Cornmorin.

DARING ROBBERY

Repulse Bay Residents
Suffer Heavily

Possibly a daring coup by a single
man, valuable articles and money to
the total value of \$2,275 were stolen
from Post Bridge, a house at Re-
pulse Bay, in the early hours of yes-
terday morning. No details of the
theft could be obtained last night.

Goods that were stolen included a
woman's fur coat valued at \$1,184,
a silver fox fur valued at \$250, a grey
fox fur valued at \$100, a man's gold
watch and chain valued at \$352, a set
of gold and green mother of pearl
enamel cuff links and wristwatch but-
tons valued at \$80, a blue shirt valued
at \$15, a pair of eye glasses valued at
\$50, a pair of light tortoise shell eye
glasses valued at \$25, a pair of gold
tortoise shell eye glasses with case
valued at \$25, an overcoat valued at
\$130, a fountain pen valued at \$11,
a grey felt hat valued at \$25, a pair
of Red felt glasses in a leather case
valued at \$240, and \$100 in Hong-
kong currency.

NEW COUNCIL MEMBER

His Excellency the Governor has
been pleased to appoint Mr. W. N.
Thomas Tam to be temporarily an
Unofficial Member of the Legislative
Council, in the place of the Hon. Dr.
L. S. Shu-fan, who is temporarily absent
from the Colony.

Mr. Tam is also appointed a mem-
ber of the Traffic Board in place of
the Hon. Mr. Lo Man-kum, resigned.

EMPIRE NEWS

AUSTRALIA'S CLAIM IN ANTARCTICA

Sydney.
Reports received by the Federal
Government state that a considerable
percentage of the several hundred
thousand square miles in Antarctica,
which Mr. Lincoln Ellsworth has
just claimed for the United States,
forms part of an area vested in the
Commonwealth.

So far the United States have
taken no steps to support Mr. Ells-
worth's claim. The Australian Gov-
ernment does not propose to assert
its rights unless the United States
take the initiative in claiming the
area.

The area in question is on the east
of the Antarctic continent. Between
Enderby Land and Queen Mary
Land, Mr. Ellsworth surveyed the
land from the air and dropped a
cylinder containing an American flag.

Mr. Lyons, the Federal Prime Min-
ster, announced recently that the
Government had purchased Mr. Ells-
worth's ship Wyandott Earp, now at
Hobart, for future Antarctic research.
Cabinet Adjourns.—The Common-
wealth Cabinet, which has been sit-
ting at Hobart considering defence
questions, adjourned unexpectedly
recently. Practically the whole of
the agenda was postponed and was
later considered at a meeting in
Melbourne. The Cabinet regarded
the visit to Tasmania as mainly a
social one.

NEW ZEALAND

GIFT OF SCHOOL TO THE STATE

Auckland.
Mr. A. F. B. Broadhurst has handed
over to the State his whole interests
in the St. Peter's School, Cambridge,
Auckland Province. The school was
founded by him as a first-class pre-
paratory school for New Zealand boys.
The school will be administered by
a board of trustees. Mr. Broadhurst
will remain headmaster.

The buildings and 204 acres are
valued at more than £100,000.
Wheat Storage.—The Auckland
Harbour Board has agreed to the re-
quest of the New Zealand Wheat
Committee to store 11,000 tons of
Australian milling wheat as a pre-
caution against a possible emergency.
This represents a six months' sup-
ply for the area served by Auckland.

CANADA

BREN GUN MOTION IN COMMONS

Ottawa.
Denouncing the Canadian Bren gun
contract as "a shameful piece of
patronage," Dr. Manion, leader of the
Conservative party in the House of
Commons, has moved that the con-
tract be cancelled.

This should be done, he declared in
his motion, before the Royal Com-
mission's report on the matter is
submitted to the Public Accounts
Committee for study, as previously
resolved.

Dr. Manion declared that there need
be no delay in the manufacture of
the guns, and no injustice to the
owners of the factory if the Govern-
ment were to take it over and pro-
ceed with the contract.

Mr. Lapointe, Minister of Justice,
contends that Mr. Manion's motion is
out of order.

A judicial inquiry found no
evidence that any member of the
Canadian House of Commons or
Senate was admitted to any share in
the contract or to any benefits arising
from it.

BURMA

STUDENTS' HUNGER STRIKE

Rangoon.
University students have declared
a hunger strike until the Government
concedes their demands. These in-
clude the release of students and those
arrested during the march on the
Syrian oilfield last month.

The University is closed. Some
school-children are joining in the
fast. It is understood that the hun-
ger strike will stop if, as is expected,
the Government is defeated on the
opening day of the session.

BRITISH GUIANA

BRITISH M.P. TAKEN TO HOSPITAL

Georgetown.
Mr. Morgan Jones, Socialist M. P.
for Caerphilly, has been admitted to
hospital here suffering from acute
neuritis.

Mr. Morgan Jones is a member of
the Royal Commission now here to
investigate social and economic con-
ditions in the West Indies and British
Guiana.

MANY SOON TO MARRY

The following forthcoming wed-
dings are announced:

Mr. Wilhelms Frantzen Scheme,
chief steward on the Bolshoyev, and
Miss Katia Vasilievna Kounis, of
60 Rue Paul Henry, Shanghai;
Mr. Joseph William Leonard, staff
of Cables and Wireless, Ltd., and
Miss Christine Maria Perpetua, of
290 Nathan Road;

Mr. Wong Shiu-lun, clerk, and
Miss Lo Sau-mui, of 1 Hau Wong
Road, Kowloon City; Mr. Yu Hing-
chu, civil servant of the Chinese
Government, and Miss Yeung Sau-
chan, of 140 Tung Choi Street, Mong-
kok; Mr. Wong Hon-ming, accountant
of the China Emporium, and Miss
Shu Yu-fong, of 2 Moreton Terrace,
Causeway Bay; Mr. Henry Lee, office
assistant, and Miss Nancy Cheng, of
7 Kui Yin Fong, Hongkong.

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THE FOLLOWING IS A CABLE SYNOPSIS OF THE TRADER'S
COLUMN IN THIS WEEK'S ISSUE OF HARRON'S WEEKLY.
NEW YORK: MARCH 10 (SATURDAY)

The Trader says that the past week saw the third serious war scare
in six months since September of last year.

The September liquidation movement showed a daily average of
955,000 shares; in January 1939, 900,000 shares and 850,000 shares, thus far,
in the current scare. Should trading dry-up next week, the inference
would be that the latest war scares are less potent than previously,
particularly if the average is held above the January lows.

Foreign liquidation was heavy in Youngstown Steel & Tube;
New York Central; Republic Steel; United States Steel; Kennecott and
Anaconda Mining shares.

European apprehension cannot be lightly dismissed since, with
American investment trusts fully invested, any change in Europe's
attitude leaves the market bereft of a powerful source of buying.

Farm equipment activity is slowing up, whilst new orders for
rail and electrical equipment are waning. Hopes of a revival in the
heavy goods industry are waning.

Motor sales are above expectations. The biggest mail-order house
is budgeting for a record year. Steel gains are not equal to the
seasonal limits.

The developments abroad and here by no means imply the
imminence of a sustained liquidation movement. The logical inter-
pretation is that a let-down rather than depression may occur.

Irrespective of interest rates, equities have become more attractive
long-term media than cash.

MARCH 10, 1939.

FRANCIS I. du PONT & COMPANY, REPORT BY CABLE:

STOCKS: The United States Government has decided to impose
penalty duties on German imports.

February residential building was the highest since 1929.
Pittsburgh steel operations declined to 40 per cent. of
capacity.

February newspaper stocks were the lowest since early
1937.

We expect a rally next week, but the technical indications
for an upturn are not yet impressive.

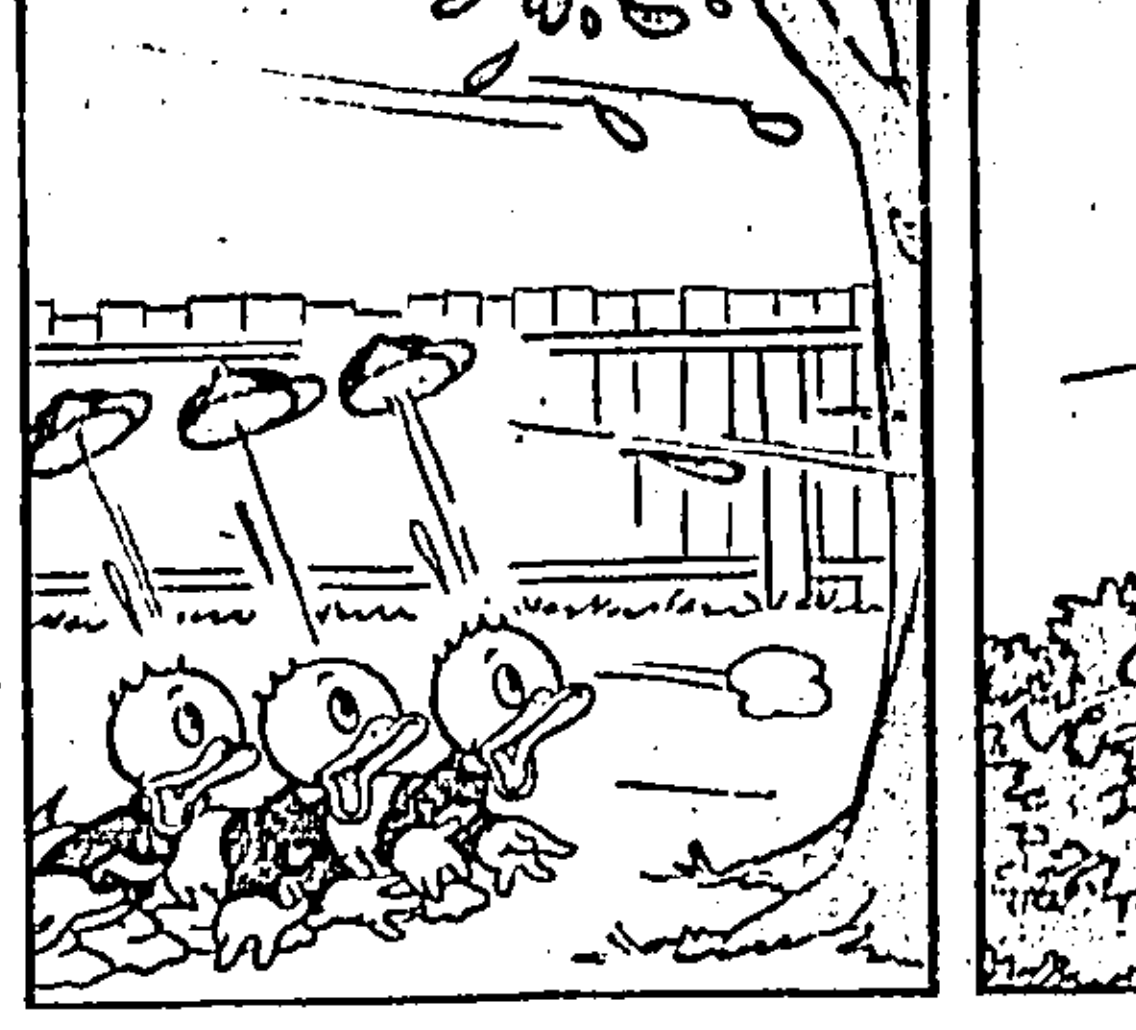
EARNINGS: Curtiss-Wright for year ended December 31st, earned
\$3,600,000, against \$2,000,000 for the previous year.

POST OFFICE.

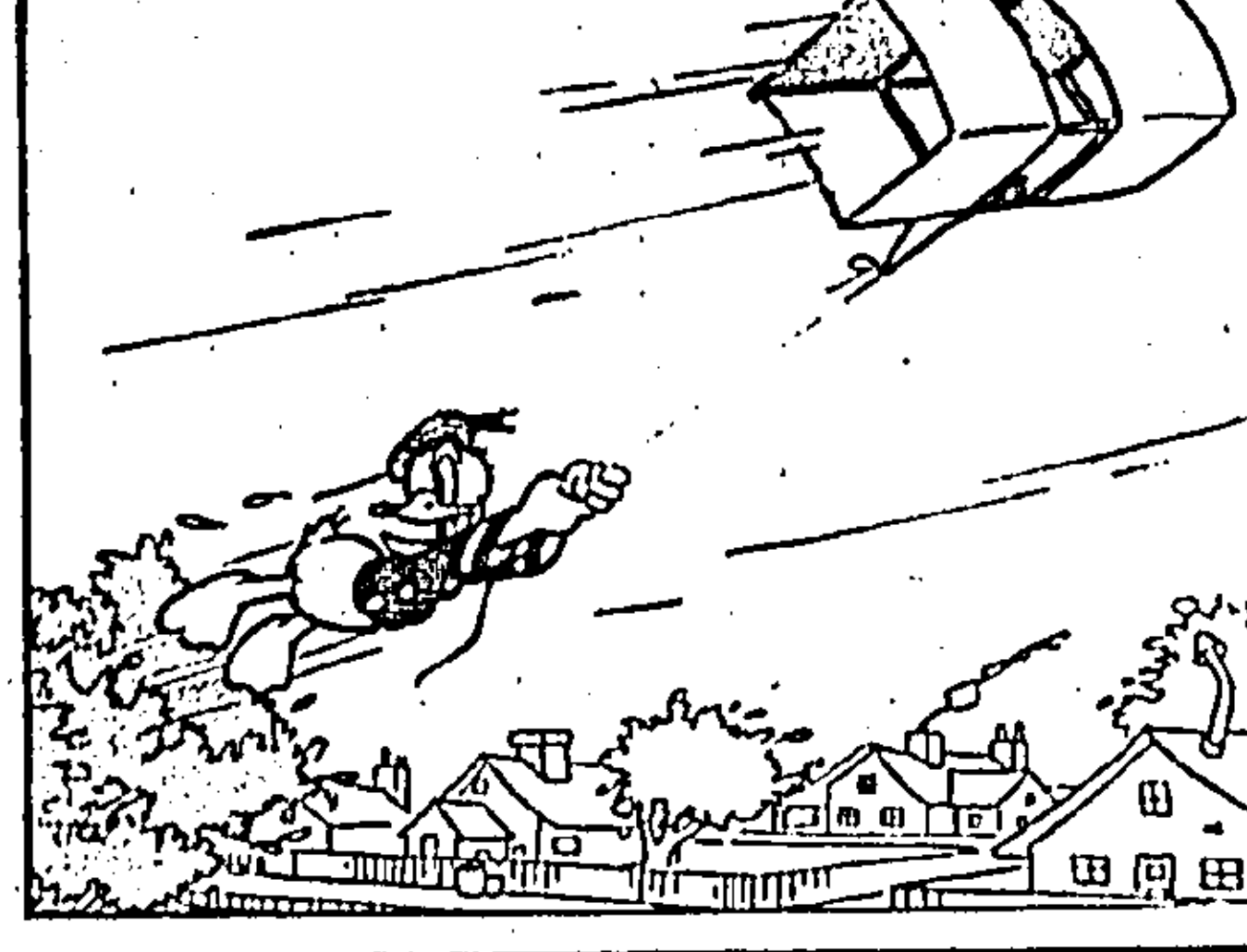
INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due
Manila	Eurybates	March 20.
Bangkok	Kalgan	March 20.
Manila	Pleasantville	March 20.
Shanghai and Swatow	Tsima	March 21.
Straits	Boksevan	March 21.
Calcutta and Straits	Cremor	March 21.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 11th March	Imperial Airways Plane	March 21.
Australia and Manila	Kitano Maru	March 21.
Japan and Shanghai	Memnon	March 21.
Saigon	Nanchang	March 21.
Shanghai	Cyclops	March 22.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 15th March	Imperial Airways Plane	March 22.
Straits	Philoctetes	March 22.
Japan	Sirdhana	March 22.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C. date, 4th March)	Emp. of Asia	March 23.
Air Mail by "Pan American Air- ways Direct Service"—San Fran- cisco date, 15th March.	Pan American Airways Plane	March 23.
Japan	Atuta Maru	March 24.
Japan and Shanghai	Bardonia	March 24.
Formosa, Japan and Shanghai	Hakone Maru	March 24.

DONALD DUCK



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and on Short Wave from 1.2-15 p.m. and 8-11 p.m. on 9.52 m.c. per second.

11.15-12.20 p.m. Relay of Services of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Leslie Hutchinson at the Piano.

A New Song (Hickforth); Solitude (Ellington); Take Me in Your Arms (Hickforth).

12.40 Harry Roy and His Orchestra.

Roy Club Rag (Roy); Harlem (Eddie Carroll); When Bombs Fall (Rumba) (Grey); When a Cuban Says "I Love You" (Green); I Can't Give You Anything But Love (McHugh); My Last Year's Gal (Alter).

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Arensky—Trio in D Minor—Op. 32.

Eileen Joyce (Piano); Henri Temirkan (Violin); Antoni Sala (Cello).

1.30 Rugby and Reuter Press Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Variety Programme.

America Calling... The Carlyle Cousins (Vocal) rec. by Quaglin's Quintet; Orange Blossom (Mayer); Linchouse Blues (Braham)... Billy May at the Piano; Grub... Murmur and Winterbottom; (Two Mind with Not a Single Thought); Slipping Through My Fingers (Film: It's Love Again); Got To Dance My Way to Heaven (Film: It's Love Again).

Animals by vi-vi-seeing them.

Andrew was furious and telephoned Owen and learned to his surprise that he had no licence from the Home Office for experimental work on animals. A section of the committee was making a great to-do over his experiments and was holding a meeting the next day at which Andrew was to appear for "disciplinary" examination.

Ben Chenkin was the leader and spokesman for the malcontents among the miners. He accused Andrew of cruelty to animals, of doing work for himself on the committee's time when he was being paid for doing the Society's work.

"And it's all been done without a permit, a serious offence in the eyes of the law," continued Chenkin. "I know you men are all with me. Here and now we demand Dr. Manson's resignation."

Owen quietly pointed out that Andrew was working for the Society and that if they reported his failure to get a permit, the Society itself would be involved—would be legally responsible for its agent's actions. The majority of the committee was impressed by this and Dr. Manson, at Owen's request, was permitted to state his case.

"Maybe you think I've been wasting my time, your time as you call it, in a lot of cranky experiments, using live work. That was cruelly inhuman and—useless cruelty. Why do you men take white mice and canaries down the mines? To test for black damp—you all know that. And when these mice get finished by a whiff of gas, do you call that cruelty? No, thank you. You realize that these animals have saved men's lives, perhaps your own lives. And that's what I've been trying to do for you! I've spent nearly every minute of my spare time on this dust inhalation problem, trying to find out something that might improve your working conditions, keep you in health. What if I did use a dozen guinea pigs? Don't you think it was worth it?"

Andrew sat down and immediately there were cries of "Vote!" "Vote!" Owen put the question and those against Dr. Manson's dismissal outnumbered those favouring it.

"I'm glad Dr. Manson," said Owen, "that the committee has decided to ask you to remain."

Andrew did not respond at once. When he did it was in a voice without colour or feeling.

"I've tried to do here, that the committee doesn't wish me to go. But I'm sorry, I can't wait on in Aberlawn any longer. I give the committee notice from to-day."

In the dead silence that followed he walked out of the room. Ed Chenkin, son of the disgruntled miner, was the first to recover speech. He called half-heartedly after Andrew:

"Good riddance."

Owen turned upon him in sudden anger. "Shut your senseless mouth, Ed Chenkin! We have lost the best man we ever had!"

(To Be Continued.)

THE CENTAUR

A.J. CRONIN



YOUNG DR. ANDREW MANSON, having accepted the post of assistant to the bed-ridden paralytic, Dr. Edward Page, put all of the enthusiasm of the newly graduated medico into his work among the inhabitants of the little Welsh village of Blaenelly. To be sure, Mrs. Page gluttonous and greedy for money, half starved him, but the friendliness and gratitude of the people more than repaid him.

And then, one day when he was worried about several patients in one section of the town, uncertain of what the disease could be, a thickset, powerful man in an old velvet suit, followed by a mongrel wire-haired terrier, came into his office and introduced himself as Dr. Philip Denny, assistant to Dr. Nicholls. Half insolently, the newcomer took up the bottles which Andrew had filled with his prescriptions, smelled of them and commented in a blandly offensive manner:

"Sweet spirit of nitre! Wonderful! Won't hurt 'em, won't help 'em! They can swallow it by the tubful while nature makes 'em well. There's one or two things you ought to know while you're passing through Blaenelly on your way to Harley Street, London. There's no hospital here, no ambulance, no X-rays, no anything. If you want to operate you use the kitchen table. Page, your boss, was a good doctor, but he'll never do a hand's turn again. Nicholls, my owner, is a money-chasing midwife. As for myself, I think that's about all, but if I were you, I should look out for typhoid in Glydar Place."

After that speech, Dr. Denny be-took himself off, followed by his dog.

ANDREW was left thunderstruck, but quickly convinced himself that Denny's hint was right; his patients had typhoid. Unable to get in touch with Dr. Griffiths the district medical officer, he called at Denny's office the next day for advice, blaming himself for not having recognized the epidemic as typhoid.

Denny pointed to the latest model Zeiss microscope, explaining that he had given up drinking for six months to pay for it. On the slide were the red-stained clusters of the bacteria of typhoid.

"You've got cases, too?" said Manson.

"Four. All in the same area. Those bugs come from the well in Glydar Place. It's the main sewer that's to blame; it leaks like the devil, seeps into half the low wells in that end of town."

"Does Griffiths know that?"

"He's a lazy, incompetent swine, afraid to ask the Council for a new sewer lest they dock his wages to pay for it."

"Then we must write to the Ministry of Health."

"There's only one way to make them build a new sewer—blow up the old one."

NEW IRRITATION developed when he discovered that Mrs. Howells, whose boy, Joe, was down with measles had permitted his younger brother to go to school. The teacher, Miss Christine Barlow, had said it was all right for Idris to attend.

Bolling at such disregard for his authority, Andrew went immediately to the school house. He found the children at their desks drinking glasses of milk while Miss Barlow was writing sums on the blackboard. He was Mr. Manson, he said stiffly. "You have a contact here—Idris Howells. He ought to be isolated. You know his brother has the measles. It's against the rules, to have him in school."

"Yes, I know," said Christine with a slight, friendly smile. "But Mrs. Howells is at her wit's end and most of the children have had the measles. Idris is isolated here, in a way—off by himself. If he'd stepped away he'd have missed his milk which is doing him so much good."

"That may be your idea of isolation," replied Andrew curtly. "It isn't mine. You must send that child home at once."

A sudden glint came into Christine's eyes. "I'm the mistress of this class. Here it's my word that counts."

"If you keep him here I'll have to report you."

"Or have me arrested? If that will give you more satisfaction." Her voice was quiet with restrained anger. "There's nothing more is there? Stand up, children, and say: 'Good morning, Dr. Manson. Thank you for coming.'"

With a furious nod of acknowledgement of the children's repudiation of the teacher's words, Andrew strode out of the school.

He wrote a number of letters repining Christine Barlow, but each one was torn up. In spite of his anger, he admired her for outflanking him, for doing what she thought was best in the circumstances. He tried once more to write to the Medical Officer of Health reporting her, but there came a knock at the door, and he tore up the sheet of paper and threw it into the waste-paper basket. That was the last of the denunciation of Christine Barlow.

THE NEW DOCTOR was called on a difficult confinement case. Mrs. Joe Morgan was having her first child after nineteen years of married life.

It proved a difficult case. The new-born child failed to breathe at Andrew's repeated slapping its back, and Mrs. Morgan was fast slipping away. He gave the baby to the nurse, who covered it with a blanket and placed it in an old chair and then helped him administer an injection of pituitin into the flaccid

body of the mother. He worked swiftly, feverishly, but with the skillful movements of a born doctor of medicine, to strengthen the fast-weakening beating of her heart. When her pulse became gradually stronger, he turned to the nurse, hair damp and sticking to his forehead from perspiration, and asked for the child.

The nurse pointed to the chair. "It's still born."

"Get me hot and cold water! And basins! Quick!" he ordered. "Then began a battle to bring life to the child. While the nurse flew to carry out his commands, he began efforts to make the baby breathe through artificial respiration. The attempt was fruitless."

When the nurse returned, he poured cold water into one basin, hot in another, and then, like a crazy juggler, began plunging the lifeless body into the icy water and then into the steaming bath. He would not admit defeat. Sweet blinding him, his breath came pantingly. The floor was a drugged mess. After several minutes, he placed the small body on a blanket, rubbed it with a towel, crushed and released the tiny chest with his hands.

And then, as by a miracle, a short, convulsive heave responded to his treatment. He redoubled his efforts and soon the child was gasping, deeper and deeper.

"Dear Father in Heaven, it's—it's come alive!" cried the nurse. "It was far into the night when Andrew left the Morgan house, clutching in his steps, in his soul, 'I've done something! Oh, God, I've done something real at last! By God, I am a Doctor!'"

Through that unvoiced, exultant thought, came the faint sound of Welsh music from a lighted cottage ahead. The singing became louder as he approached. He looked through the window. Around a small coffin a Welsh wake was in progress.

Sobered from his exultation, he passed the cottage door. To it was fastened a Board of Health "Typhoid" sign. A sudden resolution took form in his mind, and Dr. Manson strode quickly on into the night. It was towards morning that two figures crouched against a wall, listened to, and counted, a series of eight explosions.

"Eight," said Dr. Denny in a voice thick from drink. "That's the lot."

"And good-bye to one bit of rottenness," said Andrew Manson. "Now they will have to build a new sewer."

"Let's get out of this before we are seen," said Denny. "The bombs have weakened the town. Already windows are opening."

Weeks passed; and the typhoid epidemic gradually subsided. Manson thought of Christine Barlow frequently, occasionally saw her on the streets, but never reported her. He admired her too much, and was thinking of her too often for peace of mind.

Then one day she called at his office with a sore throat. He put on his professional dignity and complimented her. But at a casual complimentary remark as she was leaving, the dignity vanished and a boyish friendliness and eagerness supplanted it.

"I heard what you did with the Morgan baby." The words were simple, but in her intonation was such admiration that he felt he must confess to her.

"When I arrived here I believed the practice of medicine was founded by ethics and text books. I've learned differently—thanks to you."

"And to Philip Denny," she smiled. "Do you know Denny? He didn't tell me. Then, perhaps you'll be willing, or just walking."

"You try asking me."

That was invitation enough.

CHRISTINE BARLOW soon became a necessity; he had to see her often for his peace of mind. Blatantly likely Dr. Page's latest assistant, and Andrew soon found his practice occupying most of his time. The fact that the gluttonous Mrs. Page half starved him was a negligible thing in comparison with his friendship with Christine and Philip Denny, and the trust of his patients. But one day Mrs. Page confronted him with a cancelled cheque which Joe Morgan had given him—aside from paying the bill—out of gratitude for saving the lives of his wife and child.

"You better tell me quick how you came to bank that money for yourself when it's Dr. Page's money."

"Dr. Page got his fee, Joe Morgan made me a present of this."

"Any money that comes in belongs to him. You're a thief."

"You've made charges against me, Mrs. Page. Unless you apologize I'll sue you for defamation of character. I'm warning."

Seeing she had gone too far, Mrs. Page spluttered an apology, but Andrew was angry and let himself go in a sort of wild joy:

"I'm so absolutely sick of you, Mrs. Page, that I can't stay on. You're a mean, guzzling, mercenary witch—a pathological case, and I give you notice here and now."

"By you don't! Such impudence and insolence! You're sacked, you are—sacked, sacked, sacked!"

WEEKS PASSED before Dr. Manson found a new post—a vacancy on the staff of the Medical Aid Society of the coal miners of Aberlawn in South Wales. He lacked but one qualification—the committee preferred a married man.

"I've just been waiting on a suitable appointment to get married," he told them.

But he told Christine he had been offered the job and turned it down because the Society wanted a married man. He smiled engagingly. "I've just been waiting on a suitable appointment to get married," he told them.

"Andrew Manson, is this a proposal of marriage or a deep-deyed plan to get a job?"

"You know I'm in love with you, Chris."

She was laughing at him, but there was a suspicious moisture in her eyes. "You'd better rush over to Aberlawn and tell the committee you'll take the job—first thing in the morning."

"I've already told them."

"And Andrew, four her in his arms, her lips against his."

THE ABERLAWN MEDICAL Aid Society furnished its doctors a house. When Andrew and his wife, Christine, took possession of it they found a furnished case which contained Dr. Denny's Zeiss microscope.

Attached to it was a note reading: "I don't really need this. I told you I was a swab-bag. To be excused. I was sinking the dust of Blaenelly from my feet, too, and getting back to real surgery. Good luck, Denny."

Andrew was profoundly touched by the wedding gift, and rejoiced that Denny was giving himself a chance to show the stuff that was in him.

The miners chose which of the Society's several doctors they wished to look after their illnesses and injuries and were given dispensary cards. Andrew had the West division which embraced the anthracite mine known as Old Tom. To be excused himself a chance to work on account of illness he had to get a certificate from the doctor in charge. Andrew soon incurred the enmity of one hulking fellow, Ben Chenkin, to whom he refused a certificate when the miner was suffering from a cough. He claimed, Chenkin asked for his card and went to another doctor.

Andrew forgot all about him in a sudden interest in the case of several miners from Old Tom who were coughing from a lung affection. One, an atypical pneumonia case, he sent to the hospital, and asked the others to return to him after their work each day, so that he could examine specimens of their sputum under his microscope and listen to their breathing through the stethoscope. He thought the trouble might be a business to talk against the anthracite at Old Tom. The affection from which they suffered appeared to be confined to the men from that one mine. The men grumbled at not being given the pink medicine. Andrew's predecessor had been so presented and at having to return after day, but promised to obey orders.

BEFORE HE had been a great while in Aberlawn there was a cave-in at Old Tom in which one of the men was caught. His fellow workers were unable to extricate him. Andrew was called to the lower level. The foreman took him to the injured man, warning him that he must be quick or they all'd be caught over the roof.

Working against time, with no anaesthetic, for the chloroform bottle in his medicine bag had been broken during the descent into the mine, with only the flickering light of the miners' lamps by which to see, partially blinded by the cold sweat trickling from his brow, Andrew slipped padded gauze on the bloodied stump. Trickle of coal had been falling from the roof, and the miners had carried the injured man but a short distance towards the shaft when the roof collapsed. Clouds of choking dust pursued them. Heaven, the victim of the accident, recovered, and Andrew became something of a hero to the miners, so that a number of them thereafter helped him without grumbling. In his experiment to discover the effect of anthracite dust on the lungs, with Christine's aid he rigged up a laboratory in one room of their house—the main feature of the "lab" being the Zeiss microscope.

The amputation of Bevan's arm had one or two unpleasant results. When Andrew called at the hospital to see his patient, he was given to understand by Dr. Llewellyn, the chief doctor, that once a man was sent to the hospital he was under Llewellyn's sole charge; also that it was the custom of the other doctors to give Llewellyn the fifth of their earnings—a custom arranged, he said, by the under-doctors themselves. A last bit of counsel to Andrew was that there were a lot of chronic cases among the miners and that he should not be too difficult about re-nervin' old unit-for-work certificates. There was one compensating consequence: Owen, the Secretary of the Medical Aid Society, called on Andrew to congratulate him for saving the life of Bevan.

"I'm glad of that."

"I was wondering, Dr. Manson, if you would care to have my medical card. I'd like to be on your list."

"I'll be delighted to have you."

A bond was established between the two men, and Andrew showed Owen his "laboratory," and explained that he was investigating the lung trouble which affected the men working in the anthracite mines. "I've a hunch it's caused by the dust in the anthracite. The men in the soft coal mines are not affected. I think the worst thing is the chemical reaction of the silica in the hard coal on the lungs. I've gone over all the medical literature on the subject and there's no mention of any such industrial disease. And the men are laid up or develop tuberculosis, they don't get a penny of compensation."

"I've never heard anything so important in a long time, Dr. Manson," said Owen. "Would it help you in your investigation if I could get men on the other doctors' lists to work with you?"

"It would immensely."

WITH OWEN'S enthusiastic aid, Andrew continued his researches into the effect of anthracite dust on the lungs. He added guinea pigs and white mice to his laboratory.

Some months later he published an article on "Dust Inhalation and Silicosis" in the British Medical Union Bulletin, which brought him a letter from Freddie Parker, a miner preaching in London, inviting him to attend the British Medical Union's convention at Cardiff.

With Christine, he attended the meeting, was bombarded with salesmen who gave him new medical gadgets and advertisements. He found Dr. Parker a prosperous auctioneer, mainly interested in having Andrew send him difficult cases and splitting fees with him. Christine did not like him. They were both glad to get back to Aberlawn.

Some of the men still grumbled more or less at being examined and examined and getting no medicine for their coughs. Fuel was added to their discontent when Andrew, attending a miner who had been scalded and the injury increased by using pearly to prevent infection and stiffening of the elbow joint. Nurse Lloyd was much offended at his new-fangled notions and proceeded to make it her business to talk against him. Dr. Parker still further the discontent of many of the miners.

Ben Chenkin, whose son was a member of the Medical Aid Society's committee, still sore at Andrew's refusal to give him a certificate, until for work when he was suffering from a lung hang-over, had not been idle. He had been working diligently to get the new doctor dismissed.

ONE DAY Andrew returned from attending a miner, to find his laboratory in disorder. The animals he used in his experiments missing. Christine, who had proved herself an able assistant in his experiments, said that Ben Chenkin and a number of miners had invaded the lab against her authority, and taken the guinea pigs and white mice away, charging that Andrew tortured the

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6.30 D'Indy—Suite for Flute, 'Cello, and Harp... Quintette Instrumental de Paris.

6.48 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.50 Vivian Ellis at the Piano.

Medley from "Going Places" (Ellis); Medley from "Floodlight" (Beverly Nichols).

7.00 B.B.C. Recording—"Vandeville"; with Alexander and Mose; Charlie Coburn; Bransby Williams; Anona Winn; Tommy Handley; Lily Morris; B.B.C. Dance Orchestra under Henry Hall; Programme composed by Tommy Handley.

8.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

8.30 A Variety Programme.

The Star and the Rose (Schwartz); West Wind (Mencher)... Turner Layton at the Piano; The Umbrella Man (Film: These Foolish Things)—Waltz; Where the Shannon Flows Down to the Sea—Waltz... Billy Cotton and His Band; Sentimental (Film: Madam X)—Waltz; I Like Bananas (Film: Quick Step)—Waltz; Billy Cotton and His Band; Why Don't You Practice What Preach? (Hoffman); Don't Let Your Love Go Wrong (Johnson)... The Beaswell Sisters; I'm Going Shopping (Film: Gold Diggers of 1935); You (Film: Gold Diggers of 1935); Lullaby; Goodnight to Your Old Fashioned Mother... Billy Cotton and His Band.

9.00 London—Ronald Gourley (Entertainer).

9.15 London—"This is France"—

2. From Provence to Picardy, from Burgundy to Brittany... A talk by Maurice Vignon.

9.30 London—The News.

9.50 Cinema Organ Selections.

Grasshopper's Dance (Musical); Sydney Cassady; Some Popular Melodies... Harold Ramsey.

10.00 London—"In Town To-night"; Edited and Produced by C. F. Meehan.

10.30 Dance Music.

Show Boat Shuffle (Ellington); Echoes of Harlem (Ellington); Fox Trot played by Duke Ellington; His Orchestra; Fox Tots, Strike Up the Band (Gershwin); The Flat Foot Floogie (Green)... Billy Cotton and His Band; Waltz, Tales of Hoffmann (Offenbach); Tango, Nostalgia del Deserto (Bili)... Barbara Val Geazy and his Orchestra; Fox Tots, Love Walked In (Film: Goldwyn Polka); The Maidens of Tyrol (Coles-May); Jay Wilbur and His Band; Fox Tots, Heart and Soul (Loesser); While a Cigarette Was Burning (Kennedy)... Paul Whiteman and His Band.

11.00 Close Down.

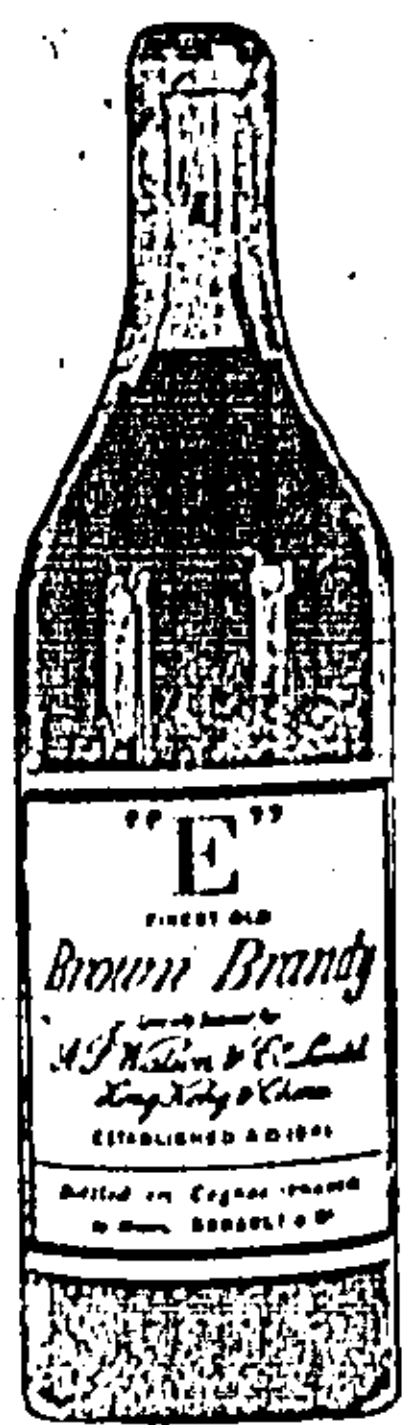
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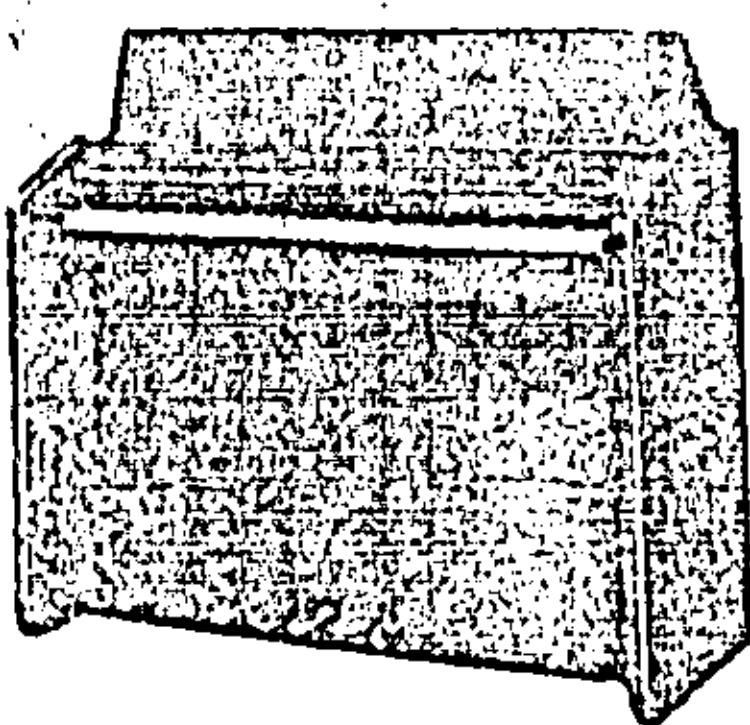
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Peace or War?

IT WOULD BE wholly premature to speculate upon the kind of action that is being weighed by the Democracies as a result of Herr Hitler's latest coup. Although the Press is not yet privy to the course Great Britain, France and United States will decide upon, it does not go far wrong in assuming that events in Europe have begun to move into their real perspective; one that, incidentally, differs greatly from that Mr. Chamberlain gained at Munich. That a genuine effort will be initiated to establish a constructive basis for the future composition of anti-Totalitarian policy may also be taken as a definite assumption. Everyone realises now that if peace is to be forged in Europe it must be not merely peace with honour but peace with justice, which the conscience of the world can accept as such.

While it would be idle and premature to speculate upon future action by Britain, France and the United States, speculation about Germany's future course becomes certain if "Mein Kampf" is really to be recognised as the German bible. "We National Socialists stop the eternal drive to the south and west, and throw our eyes on the land to the east," Herr Hitler wrote. "The frontiers of States are fashioned by men and changed by men. The German Reich must, as a State, include all Germans. Only the might of a victorious sword will give us more land."

The drive to the east cannot remain content with present acquisitions. It is certain that Hungary's seizure of Ruthenia does not fit in with Hitler's plans and that the two great prizes now are Rumania and the Ukraine; in the latter case, Ruthenia stands in the way. Rumania Hitler needs for its vast oil deposits, the Ukraine for its thousands of square miles of waving wheat-fields. The acquisition of both will truly make the Greater Reich omnipotent in Europe.

Whatever objective Herr Hitler pursues in future—and few people can believe that aggression will end with the conquest of Czechoslovakia—it cannot now be said that any lingering impression of doubt remains in the German mind that the British Government will not remain inactive. In the past, the conviction that Britain would never intervene in a Central European conflict has been almost an article of faith with many Germans, as it was in 1914 regarding Belgium and France.

Mr. Chamberlain's speech at Birmingham and the almost overwhelming unanimity of opinion of the British Press—which must be regarded as the mouthpiece of the British people—should suffice to change that belief. It would be the most serious of all misunderstandings in the future if the impression remains in Germany that Britain will disinterest herself in any further depredations.

The one wish of the British people is for peace. We believe that peace is desired by the mass of German people, certainly by the German people overseas with whom we have spoken. But peace will not be preserved if coercion and assimilation of small nations by a powerful neighbour continues.

The most certain outcome of any further attempt to "enjoy out the tenets of 'Mein Kampf'" will be war.

"I ASKED HITLER QUESTIONS"

THIS ARTICLE DEALS WITH HIS ATTITUDE TO BRITAIN. TO-MORROW HE WILL TALK ABOUT ITALY . . .



Q. Many people in England are friendly to Germany. The "Cliveden Set" is said to be so. What do you think of English "pro-Germans"?

A. "There exists no English, American or Italian statesman who was ever pro-German. So anybody who thinks he can establish alliances with foreign nations on the 'pro-German' sentiment of their leading statesmen is either an ass or a liar." (p. 698.)

Q. Can there ever be friendship between Germany and England?

A. "The condition for chaining the lot of two peoples together is never based in mutual esteem or sympathy, but in the prospect that it will be of some purpose for the two contracting parties. That means: however much an English politician pursues a pro-English policy and never a pro-German, all the same quite definite interests of this pro-English policy can be identified with pro-German interests for various reasons. Of course this need be the case only to a certain extent and can one day become exactly the opposite." (p. 698.)

Q. If we seek allies in Europe from this point of view only two States remain: England and Italy." (p. 699.)



Q. With what purpose?

A. "Germany's alliance would make it possible to make undisturbed those preparations which . . . must be made for settling accounts with France." (p. 755.)

Q. But what do you think are the purposes of British policy, then?

A. "The traditional tendency of British diplomacy . . . since Queen Elizabeth's time runs according to plan: to prevent by every means the rise of any European Power above the level of the general ranks of Powers and, if necessary, to break it by military attack." (p. 691.)

"This appears to be the condition for establishing a British world hegemony." (p. 696.)

Q. What do you think Britain's intentions towards Germany are?

A. "England does not want Germany to be a world Power; France wants no country at all which calls itself Germany. A very important difference." (p. 699.)

Q. What methods does Britain use for this end?

A. "No people has prepared its economic conquests with greater brutality than the English people, and defended them with regard for nobody."

"Is it not the characteristic of British political skill to extract economic advantages from its political power and to transform at once every economic strengthening back into political power?" (p. 158.)

Q. Was the great war a mistake for England?

A. "Actually England did not achieve her war object. Not only did she fail to prevent the rise of a European Power (France) above the balance of the Continental State-system of

Europe, but established it in an enhanced degree." (p. 695.)

Q. What should Germany have done in 1914?

A. "If one wanted territory in Europe this could come about only at the expense of Russia. . . . For such a policy there was only one possible ally in Europe—England. Only together with England could one protect one's back and begin the new German drive." (p. 154.)

Q. Would that have been right?

A. "The right to do so would have been no less than the right of our forefathers. None of our pacifists refuses to eat the bread of the East, although our first plough was a sword." (p. 154.)

Q. To return to the present. Do you want colonies?

A. "The German people possesses no moral right to take part in colonial activity as long as it cannot even embrace its own sons in a common State. Our Jewish Press always understood how to concentrate hate, especially on England. Thus many a good German noodle . . . chattered of the 'refortifying' of German sea power, protested against the robbery of our colonies, demanded their restoration and so helped to deliver the material which the Jewish racial could then pass on to his racial brother in England for practical propaganda use."

"To direct Germany's national force to these ends, without beforehand fully securing our position in Europe, was madness even before the war." (p. 706.)

[Author's note: One asks here, does Hitler consider Germany's position in Europe now secured?]

"The right way then (before the war) would have been: strengthening of Continental power by winning new territory in Europe."

"Through that very process supplementation through later colonial territories jumped into the realm of the naturally possible."

"This policy would of course have been practicable only in alliance with England." (p. 690.)



"I remember how astounded were the faces of my comrades in Flanders when we first came up against 'Tommyes' . . ."

Q. Do you want England's possessions?

A. "England will lose India only if its administrative machinery falls prey to racial decomposition, or if it is conquered by the sword of a mighty enemy. . . . We Germans have learned well enough how hard it is to conquer England. Quite apart from the fact that as a German I prefer always to see India under English mastery than under any other." (p. 757.)

Q. You obtained permission to build up German submarine strength to the level foreseen in the Anglo-German Naval Agreement. Do you mean to start a naval race?

A. "The fact that we have not to fight about sea power to-day should gradually dawn even in the minds of our political simpletons." (p. 706.)

Q. What is your naval policy?

A. "A fleet which from a purely numerical standpoint cannot be brought to the same level as its prospective enemy must try to substitute overwhelming fighting power of individual ships in place of its lack of numbers. The superior fighting power is the important thing, not a mythical superiority in 'quality.'" (p. 299.)

Q. What are your views on voluntary or compulsory national service in England?

A. "What a mistake to think England too cowardly to shed its blood for its economic policy (in 1914)."

"That England had no 'people's army' in no way proved the contrary. For the contemporary military form of the defence forces does not matter so much as the will and determination to use existing forces."

"England always possessed the armament it needed. It always fought with the weapon which success demanded. It struck with mercenaries as long as mercenaries were enough."

"However, it dipped also deep into the valuable blood of the whole nation when only such a sacrifice could bring victory. But the determination to fight, and obstinacy combined with single-minded leadership, have always remained the same." (p. 158.)

Q. What do you think of British troops?

A. "I remember how astounded were the faces of my comrades in Flanders when we first came up against 'Tommyes'. After a few days' fighting the conviction dawned in everybody's mind that the Scots were not exactly the same as those described for us in comic papers and articles." (p. 159.)

More To-Morrow

Employer And Cook: 2 Divorces

A COUNTRY-HOUSE cook's association with her employer, who also employed her husband as butler-valet, led to the Divorce Court recently.

The butler, Mr. Frank Quinn, now serving in the R.A.F. at Grantham (Lines), was granted a decree nisi with £1,250 agreed damages against the co-respondent, Mr. William Edward Lawrence Hodson.

The wife, Mrs. Sylvia Annie Quinn, and the co-respondent did not contest the charge against them. Mr. and Mrs. Quinn, who have one child, were married at Nottingham register office in March, 1935. In July of the following year they went into service at Bradbourne Hall, Bradbourne, Derbyshire. The husband as butler-valet to Mr. Hodson, and the wife as cook.

The case for Mr. Quinn was that trouble began between his wife and himself after Easter last year, and in May he left. His wife remained at the Hall, and later he heard of her adultery with Mr. Hodson.

ANOTHER DECREE

Sir Boyd Merriman also granted a decree nisi to Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Hodson, of Edgill, Henthfield, Sussex, the wife of Mr. Hodson, because of the husband's adultery with Mrs. Quinn, this suit also being undefended.

The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Hodson took place in 1921, and they lived at Bradbourne Hall and other places. They have two children. Sir Boyd Merriman gave Mrs. Hodson the custody of the children, and awarded costs against her husband in both petitions. He also ordered him to pay the damages into court within 14 days.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"I notice you're a bit crowded—might I suggest a drink that will put one or two of you under the table?"

OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

Spain

Appeal For Peace Mediation

Madrid, Mar. 19. The National Defence Council Foreign Minister, Senor Besteiro, has appealed to France over the Madrid radio to-night to open negotiations for an honourable peace.—Reuter.

Madrid Offensive

Burgos, Mar. 19. Preparations for a Nationalist offensive on a large scale against Madrid, expected to begin within the next few days, have been made with military precision, in the assumption that the Republican Government still has a strong army at its disposal. All along the front running north of Madrid to Motril, near Almeria, a large number of picked troops have been massed with up-to-date special equipment.—Trans-Ocean.

Officers Shot

Madrid, Mar. 17. Lieutenant-Colonel Luis Barcelo and Lieutenant-Colonel Emilio Bueno, principal leaders of the recent Communist revolt in Madrid, were sentenced to death to-day.—Reuter Special.

Burgos Demands

Burgos, Mar. 19. "We wish a victorious peace," declared the National Minister of the Interior, Senor Sanjurjo, replying to the Madrid wireless appeal. He added that General Franco was open for peace negotiations.—Reuter.

DEL VAYO FOR LONDON

Paris, Mar. 19. The former Spanish Republican Foreign Minister, Senor Alvarez del Vayo, who has been staying in Paris since his flight from Spain last night.—Trans-Ocean.

South Africa

Union Prepares For Trouble

Johannesburg, Mar. 19. Extensive precautions have been taken throughout the Union to guard communications vital to the public services. Whether the activities are connected with the European situation relative to the position of South Africa is so far not clear.

The possibility of local trouble arising from the revelation that a German note to the Union stated that if permission to German immigrants to land is withheld, the Germans will not be responsible for the consequences.

Three squadrons of the South African Air Force have been placed on active service with their bases on Roberts Heights. All Police reserves and Royal Air Force reserves have been called up, and strong guards placed over power, radio and cable stations and petrol and oil storage depots.

Disturbances occurred yesterday among the German workers in Pretoria State steel works which resulted in military forces being drafted from Roberts Heights.—Reuter.

Key Positions Arranged

Johannesburg, Mar. 19. Complete preparedness in every sphere is the aim of the extensive precautions. Leading men in South Africa, especially civilians, have been allotted key positions to ensure maximum efficiency.—Reuter.

Leave Cancelled

Pretoria, Mar. 18. It is learned in official quarters that all police leave has been cancelled for the week-end. Reservists have been ordered to report.

The reason given is the possibility of repercussions arising from the Czech-Slovakian situation.—Reuter Bulletin.

General Smuts

Cape Town, Mar. 19. General Smuts will be unable to leave Cape Town owing to the international situation. He was to spend the week-end at a political meeting out of town.—Reuter Bu'le in.

Africa Comment

Johannesburg, Mar. 18. The Cape Times says that the Prime Minister will have the unhesitating support of the British Commonwealth and democracies wherever they may be found.—Reuter Bulletin.

TO ACT FOR MR. KING

Mr. C. G. Perdy, who will also act as Commissioner of Police, has been appointed an Official Member of the Legislative Council during the absence on leave of Mr. T. H. King. Mr. W. R. Scott is to act as Deputy Commissioner of Police.

Spelling Bee

HOW many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others? gravamen, pelometer, garrison, sallow, contemptuous, Mexican, English Oxford Dictionary spellings of these words will be found on page 9.

Grave European News

RUMANIA THREATENED: POWERS DENOUNCE HITLER: NEW TENSION

Germany is indignant at Mr. Chamberlain's attack, and the Press are making the most astounding apology for Hitler's breach of his assurances given to the British Premier. They state that the Czechs entered the German fold willingly.

Hitler is making a triumphal tour in Austria before returning to Berlin. He received the Slovak Ministers, and he may pay Slovakia a visit.

Fighting is going on in Carpatho-Ukraine, where the Ukrainians are making a stand. Ruthenia has appealed to the Powers for help.

A reported ultimatum by Germany to Rumania is denied, but there are good grounds for supposing that one was made. However King Carol has flatly rejected all German demands.

America has received Mr. Chamberlain's indictment of Hitler very well. The United States have taken immediate action against Germany by blacklisting all German export products, so that German trade with America will be reduced to practically nil. Taxes of 25 per cent. are to be imposed on German goods in addition to present taxes.

The Soviet has sent Germany a Note in which she states her refusal to accept the Czech-Slovakian coup, branding it as illegal.

IMPORTANT DECISIONS BEING CONSIDERED

London, Mar. 19. A special meeting of the Cabinet has been called for this evening to discuss latest developments.

Mr. Chamberlain is returning from Birmingham to attend. Britain and France have already sent Notes to Germany saying that they are unable to accept military occupation of Czechoslovakia as legitimate action.—Reuter.

Conscription Discussed

London, Mar. 19. When the Cabinet met it understood that they endorsed a policy of immediate and constant consultation with the Dominions, France, the United States and Russia concerning Germany's eastward advance.

Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Halifax made detailed reports, according to the latest information from British diplomats.

The chiefs of the armed services gave expert views on the strategic factors involved in a possible stand against Germany's expansionist policy, and they discussed the possibility of introducing conscription. No decision was reached on this point.—United Press.

Written Protest

London, Mar. 19. It is reported that the British Cabinet is considering sending a firm written protest to Germany concerning the disregard of the Munich pledges.

However, if it decides to do so it would probably be delayed until after Hitler has spoken, which according to reports from Berlin he will do in reply to Mr. Chamberlain either at Vienna to-day or at Berlin.

Meanwhile the United States denunciation of the German action has added strength to rumours that a conference may be summoned between the United States, Britain, France and possibly Russia to formulate a common anti-totalitarian front.—United Press.

Decision Postponed

London, Mar. 19. Concerning the Cabinet Council held here yesterday, it is stated in informed quarters that a decision in the question of a British guarantee to the Rumanian frontiers has been postponed, and that the Cabinet requested Lord Halifax to ascertain, first of all, whether, and in what measure, the Soviet Union and countries of the Balkan Entente are prepared to come to Rumania's assistance.

It is added that if new factors should not suddenly arise a further Cabinet council will not be held over the week-end.—Trans-Ocean.

FRENCH PREMIER GIVEN FULL POWERS

Paris, Mar. 18. The Chamber of Deputies has approved the Full Powers Bill, official figures of the voting being 321 votes against 264.—Reuter.

Amendment Rejected

Paris, Mar. 18. A Socialist amendment to M. Daladier's Full Powers Bill was introduced by the former minister, M. Monnet. It was rejected by 313 votes against 262.—Reuter.

Chamber Impressed

Paris, Mar. 19. A snafeling Chamber was hushed to silence when it heard M. Daladier announce that the French Government was obliged to demand authority to take imperative secret military and other measures in view of the gravity of the present circumstances.

Although forewarned of the Government's intentions to demand such power, the gravity of the Premier's tone brought to a timely end the bitter recriminations between the Right and Left benches, which disrupted the former Premier, M. Leon Blum's address.

M. Daladier refused to divulge the nature of the measures he intended to take, pleading that he could not make a public statement concerning the French secret military preparations. He added that the measures which would transform France into an immense workshop would involve heavy financial outlay.

Those who attended the debate came away with the impression that M. Daladier considered Hitler's Czech coup as having broken the back of all efforts to safeguard peace, and that France must immediately take all military and industrial precautions to face the eventuality of war in the near future. Pleading through the Premier's closely-guarded phraseology there

was the impression that the Premier intended to use his authority to place the nation on a war footing in anticipation of the worst.

The Premier rejected M. Blum's plea for a national unity Cabinet as not feasible at the present time, after which he said, "In reply to certain foreign inquiries, I declare that we will not cede any of our rights or one inch of our territory to threat of force or trickery."

He showed an impatient attitude to debaters who sought to pin responsibilities for the Czech coup which crashed the shaky structure inaugurated by the Munich accords, and indicated that he felt no need to be swayed by their past should he be faced with the immediate problems were to make France invulnerable against attack.—United Press.

Full Powers Bill Passed

Paris, Mar. 19. The Finance Committee passed the full powers bill this morning with only two dissentient votes.

M. Daladier stated that the gravity of the foreign situation justified the powers he requested. "I must be able to take immediately all measures, whether military, economic or financial, which the defence of our frontiers demands," he said.

The Premier let it be understood that should circumstances make it necessary he might ask for prolongation of the validity of the special powers when the time came.

The plenary bill was exceedingly brief. After a preamble it says that the Government is authorised until November 30, 1939 to take by decrees in the Council of Ministers, measures necessary for the defence of the country. These decrees will be submitted to ratification by Parliament before December 31, 1939.

The first decree of laws will be issued on Monday. It is believed that the measures envisaged include, first, increase in the number of military effectives to fill the gaps due to contingents required to guard the Spanish refugees and because of the low birth rate; second, increase in armaments production; third, conscription of stocks of raw materials; fourth, priority in private industry for war materials and establishment and financing of new industries; sixth, modification of the law for organisation of the country in war time in order to allow the Government to requisition establishments and labour; and seventh, increase in the working hours of private industries working for armaments and nationalised factories.—Reuter.

Personal Contacts

London, Mar. 19. British and French statesmen will establish personal contacts early next week to implement Mr. Chamberlain's new "gloves off" attitude to Germany.

M. Bonnet, French Foreign Minister, and probably M. Daladier, French Premier, will accompany Mr. and Mrs. Leblond on the four-day state visit to England, and the French statesmen will find Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Halifax in a very different frame of mind to that of last September.

It is reported that Mr. Chamberlain has "hung up his umbrella and shouldered a gun."—United Press.

CHAMBERLAIN CAUSE OF BITTER ATTACKS

Berlin, Mar. 19. British and German relations are strained to the severest tension since the September crisis, as Hitler is prepared to return to Berlin in triumph for the third time in one year.

Mr. Chamberlain's speech is described by political observers here as the bitterest attack against Hitler personally, as well as the most severe indictment of the Nazi regime, that Mr. Chamberlain has ever delivered.

His first effect is expected to be to call forth very sharp rejoinders from the Nazi Press, which since Munich has generally refrained from personal criticism of either Mr. Chamberlain or M. Daladier.

Furthermore it is expected to postpone indefinitely the impending talks aiming at closer British and German co-operation.

Meanwhile Berlin is preparing for the most spectacular welcome ever accorded to the Fuehrer, of which the high point will probably be a torchlight procession through the Brandenburg Gate along Unter den Linden, down the Wilhelmstrasse, and past the Chancellery, where Hitler will take the salute from a balcony.

It is not yet certain exactly when Hitler will return, but it is understood it will be either to-day or to-morrow.

Proclamation Expected Before leaving Vienna it is believed that Hitler will issue a proclamation outlining the new status of Slovakia under the Reich's protection, similar to that from Prague on Friday on the incorporation of Bohemia and Moravia.

This is expected to reveal, firstly, that Slovakia is not incorporated within the Greater Reich's territorial boundary; secondly, that the Slovak association with the Reich will be less than that of Bohemia and Moravia, as evidence by the fact that the new State has already appointed diplomatic representatives to the various foreign capitals; thirdly, the possibility that a customs union with the Reich will be announced, but not a currency union; and fourthly, Slovakia will probably be allowed to retain armed forces of some sort.—United Press.

Germans Indignant

Berlin, Mar. 18. The criticism in the British and French Press of Germany's action against Czechoslovakia has aroused the indignation of German papers.

According to the Boerschen Zeitung the nations who were responsible for the stupidity and malignancy of the Versailles dicta should display more restraint if they wish to free themselves from the suspicion of having a very bad conscience.

The Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung observes that the attitude of the British press has remained invariably the same for many years past and that its protests against the re-establishment of German sovereignty in the Rhineland and against the return of Austria to the Reich were as loud as those raised to-day in connection with Czechoslovakia.

Paper Complaints

The paper complains that, whenever Germany has "righted wrongs" the Western Powers have protested in the name of international law and morality.

The fury of the Press proves, argues the Allgemeine Zeitung, that Czechoslovakia was merely a pawn in the political game against Germany.

This pawn had now been checkmated. Czechs had, under the new constitution, the right to develop their own cultural traditions under the protection of the Reich.

Nobody can maintain that Europe lived happily under the regime inaugurated at Versailles but what the main of the Versailles regime had disappeared and a new political era had begun for Europe.

The paper concludes with an attack on Mr. Duff Cooper for criticising Hitler in the House of Commons. Whereas Mr. Duff Cooper had done his best to plunge the world into war, the peace owed to Hitler that peace had been saved and rendered secure for the future.—Trans-Ocean.

Protests Rejected

Berlin, Mar. 19. It is stated officially that the German Ambassador to London, Dr. von Dierksen, has been recalled for consultation by the German Government, which has flatly rejected the British and French protests.

The German Government official agency says, "In connection with the German attitude to recent events, the German Ambassadors in the British and French Ambassadors presented protests to the Foreign Office against the alleged illegality of the German step."

"The two diplomats were informed that the Reich was not in a position to accept protests of this kind which have no basis politically, juridically or morally."—United Press.

No Recognition

Berlin, Mar. 19. The British Embassy yesterday afternoon delivered a note to the German Foreign Office. The contents have not been disclosed, but it is believed to contain a notification that Britain does not recognise the annexation of Czechoslovakia.—United Press.

No Moral Basis

Berlin, Mar. 18. It is officially stated that Germany has informed the British and French Ambassadors that their protests have been rejected as "devoid of any political, legal or moral basis."—Reuter.

Ambassador Leaves

London, Mar. 19. The German Ambassador, Dr. Herbert von Dierksen, has left for Berlin.—Reuter.

FIGHTING OCCURS IN RUTHENIA

Sighet, Mar. 18. Some of the most serious fighting which has yet occurred in Ruthenia between Ukrainians and Hungarians took place in the early hours of to-day in the neighbourhood of Boesno.

At one time the Ukrainian national guards put up a stiff resistance, and the Hungarians were obliged to send forward reinforcements rapidly from Tachovo.

By 4.30 a.m. the guards were repulsed, and 32 of them crossed the frontier into Rumania, where they were interned.

The families of a number of Ruthenian Ministers left Sighet for Zagreb, where they are meeting Father Volosin. From Zagreb they will travel with the Ukrainian pro-Vienna, where the centre of propaganda bureau, which is the centre of activities in favour of an independent Ukraine, is established.—Reuter.

The Last Stand

Warsaw, Mar. 18. The Ukrainian nationalist organisation, known as "Sic," is now making a last stand against the invading Hungarian troops near Jasina and the neighbouring Rumanian frontier.

Town Set on Fire

Nanling, Ahwei, Mar. 18. Shanghaingfow a town near Tienwangssu, about 30 miles to the southeast of Nanking was invaded by 400 Japanese troops armed with 40 machine-guns and 20 field guns. A large number of civilian houses were gutted by fires started set by the Japanese. Damage was heavy.—Central News.

Mexico

OIL TALKS REACH DEADLOCK

New York, Mar. 19. The New York Times in a despatch from its Mexico City correspondent states that the American-Mexican oil talks have reached a deadlock.

Mr. Richberg, the American negotiator, is returning to Washington but is expected to be back in Mexico City in April.

The Mexican Government and the foreign oil companies' attorneys have submitted briefs, respectively sustaining and attacking the legality of the seizures of American property.

The Mexican Court has reserved its decision.—Reuter.

Plan for Settlement

Mexico City, Mar. 19. President Cardenas has announced a plan for settlement of the oil dispute which he said is based on a proposal made by Mr. Richberg. The plan provides for an operation between the Mexican Government and the companies, the latter contributing the amount of indemnity claimed and a new capital investment. When the valuations of the properties seized has been completed, the percentage of profits distributable would be worked out.

The President declared that the co-operation plan and fixing of percentages would be settled by experts.

It is reliably learned that the expropriated interests join issue with the President's statement, insisting that a settlement is only possible if the companies retain the entire management.—Reuter.

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The Carpatho-Ukraine Premier, Father Voroshin, before he crossed the frontier into Rumania, entrusted Colonel Sergius Efremov with the high command.

Col. Efremov has taken all measures to further the resisting power of the Ukrainians. He is being aided by a number of Czech officers who have put themselves at the nationalists' disposal.

The Hungarians have encountered stiff resistance, and in the eastern part of the country have reached the frontier at only one place Jasina.

They are being aided by units of Polish volunteers drawn from the Polish minority in Carpatho-Ukraine. The Ukrainians have concentrated a force of about 7,000 men in the mountains, where they are making very effective use of the terrain.

Meanwhile, Father Voroshin has reached Koenigsburg, in Rumania, with a large party of supporters.

It is again reported that Father Voroshin is on the way to Yugoslavia but may first visit the health resort of Banat.

A conference of refugees from Carpatho-Ukraine is reported to have been held in Sighet.

Rumanians living in parts of Carpatho-Ukraine just over the Rumanian frontier are said to have formed a military defence organisation.

Meanwhile the Rumanian Government is finding it extremely difficult to provide proper accommodation for the large number of Czech army officers and civil servants who have crossed the frontier.

The Government wants to get them out of the country, as soon as possible, and refugee officers are being brought to Klausenburg and arrangements are now being made to have them sent back to Poland.

Czech soldiers are being collected in internment camps.—Trans-Ocean.

London, Mar. 19. The Rumanian Legation informed United Press that Rumania has rejected series of "German proposals" by which Germany would guarantee Rumanian integrity and independence.

Rumania would be provided with export of its grain, oil, lumber and cattle exclusively to Germany.—United Press.

King Carol's Fears London, Mar. 19.

It is understood that the United States, Russia and France have joined Great Britain in refusing to recognise the conquest of Czechoslovakia.

The Evening Standard states that King Carol of Rumania has conveyed to Britain his fear that Rumania is in grave danger from German aggression. He is determined to fight instead of submitting to any loss of territory.—United Press.

Defences Manned London, Mar. 19.

Messages describing the manning of Rumania's defences are featured in the Press to-night. Despite official denial of mobilisation, the foreign editor of the Evening Standard states that orders have been issued at Bucharest for mobilisation of five army corps.

The report adds that King Carol has indicated to the British Government that if Britain, France, and Russia will lend support he can rally

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Poland, Bulgaria, Rumania, Greece, Turkey and Yuko-Slavia to stand firm with Rumania.—Reuter.

No Mobilisation

Bucharest, Mar. 18. It is officially confirmed that certain measures have been taken during the past few days to guard Rumania's frontiers, but the measures are described as "normal."

The report adds that no Rumanian soldiers have crossed the frontier and no mobilisation of the army has been ordered.

According to another official statement the trade negotiations being conducted by Herr Wohltat will be finished in two days.

The talks are stated to be in pursuance of the protocol signed between Germany and Rumania on commercial relations between the two countries. It is stated that the aim is an agreement on exchange of certain products.—Reuter.

Press Predictions

London, Mar. 19. Rumania's approach to Britain over the virtual German economic ultimatum presented to her and what may be the sequel, occupy major attention in the Sunday papers whose readers have been given a grim picture of the European crisis.

A report that a new alignment of Powers headed by Britain, France and the Soviet, supported by Poland, Rumania, Greece, Turkey and Yugoslavia, has been proposed, is given prominence.

According to some diplomatic correspondents, proposals were discussed last night at a Cabinet meeting at which no decision was taken pending consultations with the Dominions.

The possibility of a conference of the four major peace Powers, Britain, France, United States and Russia, with a view to adopting a common policy, also appears in many accounts.

No serious attempt has been made to lift the veil enshrouding the immediate intentions of Germany, it being recognised that the secret is being closely hidden among Herr Hitler and his close advisers who conferred in Vienna last night, but the public everywhere is reminded that the German army is marching East, its destination "unknown."

Poland and Hungary are now

united by a common frontier through which Germany may have to march to Rumania, which has already, according to the Sunday Times Warsaw correspondent begun political and military conversations. It is elsewhere reported that Polish-Rumanian staff talks begin to-day.

The Sunday Times diplomatic correspondent understands that the Rumanian Ambassador, M. Titea, told Lord Halifax at their meeting on Friday that 44 German divisions—half in Czechoslovakia and the

ENGLAND XI FINISH POORLY AFTER A GOOD START

Chinese Enter Final Of 'Sunday Herald' Charity Cup Soccer Competition

(By "Abe")

The "Sunday Herald" International Charity Cup match between China and England at Caroline Hill yesterday started full of promise but ended on a farcical note, and a record crowd saw play deteriorate until it became a very mediocre game indeed.

After conceding a goal in the seventh minute, China recovered and finally won by four goals to one. The margin of victory might have been wider had the Chinese forwards gone all out in the second half; but victory being already assured, they were content merely to play around.

The English team started so well that the hopes of their supporters must have been raised very high; but after scoring the first goal, their attacks were checked, and when the Chinese forwards took a hand in the game, there was never any doubt, regarding the final issue. The English defenders played well right to the end, but the forwards were extremely ragged in their methods after the first 20 minutes or so, and thereafter they seldom got within shooting distance of the goal.

Record Crowd At Game Yesterday

It is learned that the crowd watching the China v. England International match at Caroline Hill yesterday was a record one for the "Sunday Herald" Cup series. A total sum of \$3,041 was collected in gate receipts. This beats the previous record of \$2,900 for the match between China and Scotland last year.



Though he had already injured his left hand by this time, Hartley, the English goal-keeper, had no difficulty in dealing with this high shot in the international match played at Caroline Hill yesterday against the Chinese. However, Rides, the right back, was not taking any chances and can be seen inside the goal ready for any emergency.—Yuen Chun Sit do.

SEVERE TEST FOR LADIES' HOCKEY INTERPORT TEAM REST PLAYERS PUT UP SPLENDID RESISTANCE

(By "The Pillar")

The Probable Colony Ladies' Interport Hockey XI received a severe test at King's Park yesterday morning when they faced a Rest team, and after an interesting game won by three goals to one.

If one could nominate the one lady in the game who showed herself a great individualist, it was Mrs. Dalziel, the Colony inside left. She not only showed speed in her unaccustomed position but also proved that she is a marksmen of the highest degree.

The Colony players had plenty of the ball in the first half and kept the Rest busily defending. Mrs. Read found the net after 20 minutes play, after Miss J. Hall had made a weak clearance. No further goals had been scored when half-time was called.

There was only one change made on resumption. Mrs. Wilmet, from the Rest team, changed places with Miss A. Fowler at left back. Facing a stern defence in Miss Gray and Miss A. Fowler, the Colony attack, however, got into their proper stride and further goals were added by Mrs. Dalziel, off a free centre by Mrs. Burnett, and by Mrs. Read, off a short corner hit. Mrs. White, playing at centre-forward for the Rest, reduced the deficit in a splendid individual effort.

STEADY DEFENDERS

Taking the Interports first, Mrs. Lunson in goal never faltered and I could not blame her for the goal which escaped her vigilance. Miss G. White was quite steady at right back in the last half. Miss A. Fowler, her partner, tackled very hard but always fairly and was at times over-hitting to the disadvantage of her own side. The halves, Mrs. Stone, Miss I. Woolley and Miss I. Reid, kept a close watch on the opposing attack and were rarely at

fault. Mrs. Stone was really good and Miss Woolley was energetic. Miss Harker and Mrs. Burnett got on well on the right wing, the latter revealing dash and speed. Mrs. Read, in the centre, took and gave her passes extremely well and, on the whole, gave a greatly-improved display.

Mrs. Dalziel, at inside left, was second; she combined well with her wing, parted with the ball in a most unselfish way and also worked with a ready will. Miss Westcott, on the left wing, had more when she got away and centred frequently with accuracy.

THE REST TEAM

Of the Rest attack, Mrs. White, at inside left, was always neat in her passing schemes but she is now not as fast as of yore. Miss J. Ewing, on the right wing, did good work, maintaining her shine until the finish. Miss Greig, as leader, was good in patches but rather neglected her wings. Little Miss B. Greaves, at left half, was the best of the intermediates; she marked well and fought many grand duels with Miss Harker and Mrs. Burnett. Mrs. Wilmet did useful work and Miss Gray did much that was good, but she seems to be finding her loss of speed a bit of a drawback. It was a fast game, but one could not call it a particularly constructive one, though the Rest did exceedingly well considering their first combination as a team. I believe the Interports are having two more games before their departure for Shanghai. They need these badly, although they are adapting much better now as a team.

INDIANS UNNECESSARILY CAUTIOUS: SAFE PLAY OVERDONE NO ENTERPRISE SHOWN IN CRICKET FIXTURE WITH KOWLOON C.C.

Several of the arguments against league cricket which have been raised over and over again in Hongkong, were given forceful emphasis at the K.C.C. on Saturday, when the Indian Recreation Club, with 60 runs on the board for the loss of two wickets, bluntly rejected a grand opportunity to force a win, and satisfied themselves with an abject division of the points.

Some point might have been given to the visitors' tactics had they been interested in the destination of the shield, or had the K.C.C. attack been as good as the Indians tried to make it appear. But the first factor never entered, and the second was only a half-truth. It is true that in the middle of the innings, Anderson, Baxter and Lee bowled consistently, and it is also true that the K.C.C. fielding tightened up considerably. But in neither case could this be claimed as justification for the manner in which the Indians pushed themselves into a shell, and refrained from punishing the worst of long-hops and half-volleys.

Anderson, stumping the left-hander just to make certain. The K.C.C. innings was very scrappy. The Fincher brothers figured in a fine third wicket stand which produced 60 runs, but both lost their wickets after reaching the half-century mark, and thereafter Minu and Madar took very cheap wickets. Seven batsmen going in and out for an additional 30 runs. E. F. Fincher batted beautifully, scoring with some nice, clean cuts, drives and glorious square cuts, but he was dropped off comparatively easy chances. His knock was a dour compared with that of his brother, but it was none the less valuable, and he made some effective shots on the leg side.

Minu always had the later batsmen in difficulties, while Madar bowled with fine precision from the other end. The Indians' fielding was hardly up to par, three or four chances being missed, and there was occasional slackness in ground fielding.

There were flashes of first-rate cricket, but the match was ruined by an anti-climax.

DOG-IN-THE-MANGER

A. H. Madar's 18 in 50 minutes might have ranked as a brilliant achievement under different circumstances. As it was, it deserved to be regarded only as a dog-in-the-manger contribution. He could have doubled his score by using his feet, instead of moving back to his stumps for everything that was not obviously over pitched. Madar's innings was a splendid example of correct, rigid defence, but as an attempt to win a half-day cricket match, it was lamentable.

This apart, however, K.C.C. might have forced a clear-cut decision if Gittins had not dropped Arculli off a simple catch at mid-on when the Indian had scored about 20; for Arculli stayed for another 20 minutes, and helped to increase the score by 37. Arculli's knock was the bright spot of the I.R.C. innings. He made the majority of his runs by use of powerful, and perfectly timed pull-drive, and a sweeping stroke to square leg. He was especially severe on Lee, whom he hit for half a dozen boundaries, and he was finally rather unfortunate to be the victim of a brilliant c. and b. effort by Baxter, who held an express return very low and rolled over, still retaining the ball.

SMART WORK IN FIELD Another wonderful catch was made by All during the K.C.C. innings, when he held a big drive by Baxter high over his head on the boundary, after making about ten yards for the ball. A third high-class piece of work was the stumping by Mackay of M. P. Madar off one of Lee's fastest balls. It popped up quickly and Mackay had the balls off while Madar's hot bat was still in the air. Mackay, in fact, kept splendidly. He did not concede a single extra, and he caught Minu very neatly off

Dublin, Mar. 18. To-night the lights are dimmed in the historic Round Room of Dublin Mansion House and a great figure of the Angel of Peace, towering over the drum of fortune, looks down on the silently pacing figures of armed guards keeping watch and ward under the vigilant eyes of Government-appointed auditors on the millions of counterfoils which await the Irish Hospitals' Sweepstakes draw on the Grand National race.

To-day witnessed the third mixing of the counterfoils and until the last minute thousands of people, including a great many from Great Britain, circled through the Round Room to witness the brilliant spectacle of 250 pretty Irish girls in medieval costumes tending the pneumatic mixing machines in a blaze of artificial sunlight. When the actual draw commences on Monday, the horses will first be dealt with and the holders of lucky tickets the world over will be promptly notified by cable of their success. Everybody who draws a horse, even if it is not in the first three or is a non-runner, will be assured of a prize of £530. Drawers of the winning horse will receive £30,000, drawers of the second horse £10,000

CIVIL SERVANTS REVEAL SPLENDID FORM OF DEFEAT INDIAN SECONDS

With such a fine bowler as C. W. Haynes and the well-balanced batting strength they revealed against the Indians at Sookunpoo, it is difficult to understand how the Civil Service seconds had not won a game in the Junior Cricket League until Saturday. True it is that the Indians were not at full strength, but this did not in the least detract from the merits of the Civil Servants' victory; for in almost every respect they were the better side.

As long as they have Haynes, Buckle and Warr bowling for them, the Civil Servants should not concede many runs if the fielding does not let the team down. The Indians discovered this to their cost on Saturday when the carrier batsmen, with the exception of M. I. Razack, who batted confidently for his 28, found it not only almost impossible to score but also difficult to keep their wickets intact against the bowling of Haynes, Warr and Buckle. Seven wickets were down for 40 runs when T. Ali and Y. T. Barna became associated in a partnership which took the score to 100 before Ali was dismissed after scoring a splendid 30. Both Barna and M. Hussain played invaluable innings of 18 and 14 respectively, which enabled the Indians to reach 121.

Haynes, who bowled unchanged, returned the excellent figures of—

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TWO GOOD PARTNERSHIPS

In the batting line, the Civil Servants had young G. Ainslie to thank. Starting very slowly, he gathered confidence as his innings progressed and finally batted very well indeed for his 51 not out, which was principally responsible for winning the game for his side. Three wickets had been lost for only 31 runs when he and W. A. Wright got together and they took the total to 77 before the latter left after making a hard-hitting 25. Later after four quick wickets had fallen, Ainslie was associated with D. Wright in another stand which hit off the remaining runs needed for victory. The bowling of the Indians never rose above mediocrity. The fielding was quite good, however, and two very good catches were held.

Von Cramm Returns To Tennis World

Calro, Mar. 18. Gottfried von Cramm, the former German Davis Cup player, after a year's absence, returned to tournament tennis here. Playing for an international team on Saturday, he beat the Egyptian, Najar, by 6-0, 6-1. To-day he was beaten by the young American, Donald McNeil, 6-3, 3-6, 5-7. America won the tournament—Reuter. and drawers of the third horse £10,000. On the second day of the draw, handsome residual prizes, together with a great many prizes of £100 each, will be drawn.—International Press Bureau.

Straits Chinese Due In Hongkong Soon On Soccer Visit

The Straits Chinese footballers will visit Hongkong shortly. They are now in Manila for a series of matches, and when these are concluded they will proceed to the Colony.

The forthcoming visit has aroused tremendous enthusiasm in Chinese soccer circles in Hongkong. Matches have been arranged between the visitors and the South China A.A. The following pen-pictures of the visiting team should be of interest:

Straits Chinese Win Opening Match

Manila Mar. 19. The Straits Chinese soccer team won their opening match in Manila to-day, beating the University of Santo Tomas by three goals to one. In the first-half, the Chinese led by two goals to nil, and in the second, each side scored once.—United Press. (After their tour of the Philippines, the Straits Chinese will come to Hongkong for a series of matches.)

20. Has been representing Perak in Malaya Cup games since 1934. A member of the Malayan Chinese team to Shanghai A 1935. Played right-half in the Sml-final against Hongkong Chinese in the Meet. A fine constructive and classy player. Cheong Song-que.—Centre half. Age 25. Singapore's centre-half since 1937. A tall and impressive figure who closes very bly to gap down the middle. Usually takes penalties for the side and got many goals from corner-kicks awarded to the side by his head work. Rather temperamental. Has played in Java, Shanghai, and Sigon. John Chye.—Left back. Age 23. A fast and tireless worker. Has played for S.C.C. (Selongar Chinese Team) since 1937. A reserve half back to 15 Selangor Malaya C. team since 1938. James Goh.—Right wing. Age 24. A very worthy successor to a long reign of first-grade winners who re-

Flashes From World Sport

Running is one of Henry Armstrong's success secrets. When "discovered" Henry was training for Miles Bunyon Derby, marathon race between Los Angeles, New York. That's 2,800 miles!

They're wisecracking over "Two-ton" Tony Galento, portly prospect for Joe Louis's punch. He's so fat, say sportsmen, his opponents run round him a few times to complete their road-work!

Pigeon fanciers will be interested in the new S.A. race. Next September 15,000 pigeons will start at Charlottesville, fly 300 miles for £100 prize, arrive at New York World Fair.

N.S.W. Athletes competing in glacial three-mile walk under blazing sun won sympathy of track officials, who tried to lighten athletes' task by playing "Lambeth Walk" over amplifying system. "It didn't make journey any shorter," commented beet-red competitors.

Action of punter holding only tote ticket on winning horse at Victoria Park, Australia, nearly had tote staff swooning. His ticket won £38. At pay out window tote staff workers, who say it's first time winning punter has ever made gift.

Peter Kane (Golborne), holder of the world fly-weight boxing title, is to meet Paddy Ryan (Manchester) for the British championship, and the Board of Control have given promoters and boxers up to March 31 to arrange the title fight. Ryan recently beat Tut Whalley (Hawley) in the final eliminator bout for the right to oppose Kane, who won the world title when he beat Jackie Jurich, the American, at Liverpool, last September. Twelve men applied for the post

of clerk in the tiny Dutch village of Heer. "Here is a list of the great men," said the burgomaster. "Tell me why each is famous."

Only one of the ten was known to all the applicants—Eddie Hopgood, Arsenal and England footballer.

"World's most famous full-back," said the twelve, unanimously. No other personality gained such complete recognition.

Even Russian composer Tchaikovsky could not rival Tappgood's fame—one applicant described him as a Roman Catholic priest governing Jugoslavia!

Soccer

Irishmen Draw With Hungarians

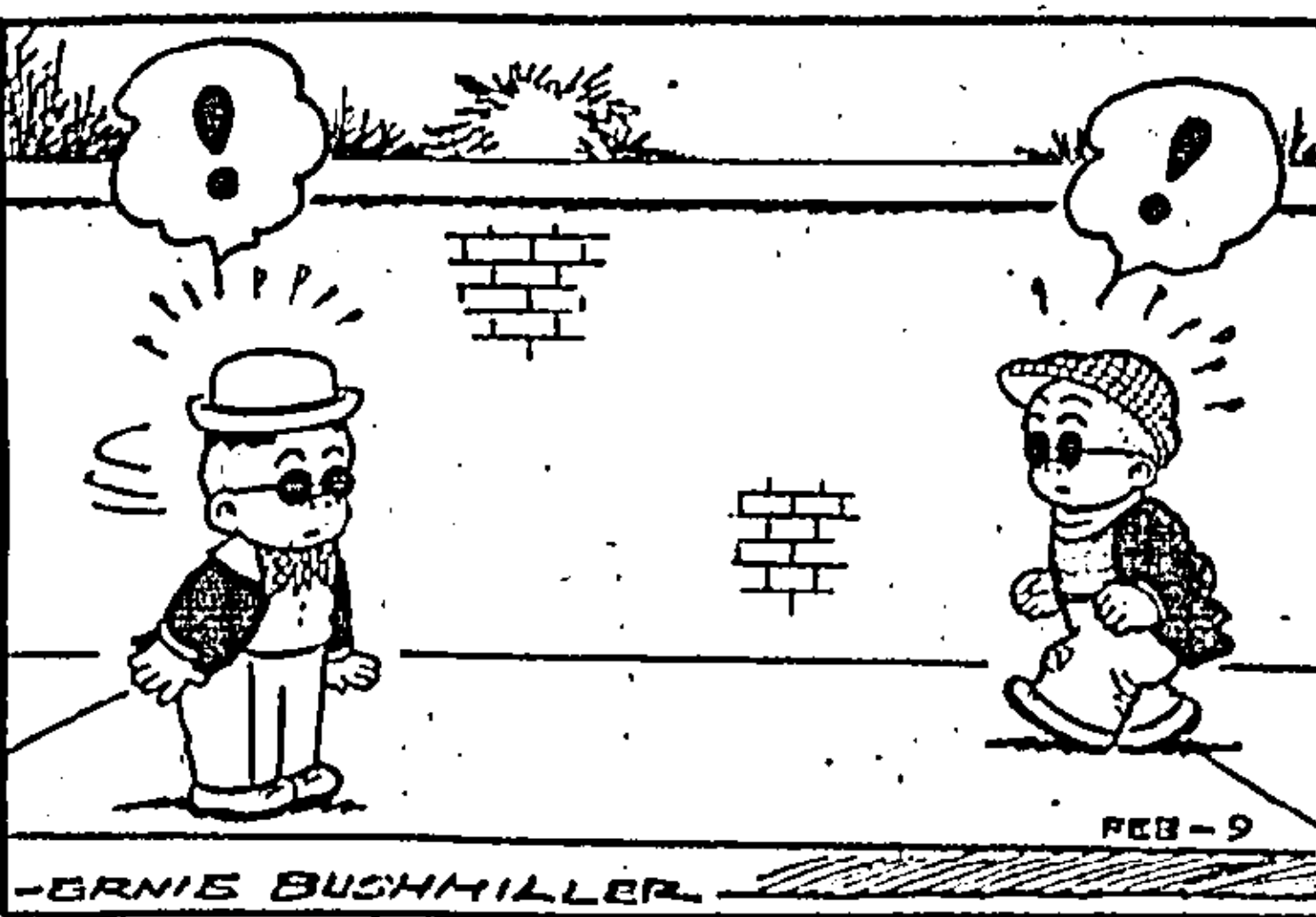
Cork, Mar. 19. The International soccer match between Eire and Hungary, played here to-day, ended in a draw of two goals each.

A crowd of 20,000 saw the previously unimpressive Irish forwards attack fiercely and equalise in the last minute. The Irish defence was strong, Turner, at centre-half, being outstanding.

The Hungarians' positional play was superior but the Irishmen were faster.

Bradshaw, the Irish centre-forward, scored, but Zsengeller replied. The second half was even, the Hungarians taking the lead through Kollek, and Carey, the Irish inside-left, serving the equaliser.—Reuter.

NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

Drastic Revision Of Rugby Laws Needed

UNION PRESIDENT'S COMMENT FINDS READY SUPPORTERS

London, Mar. 1.

Do the Rugby laws need revision? Speaking at the Surrey County jubilee dinner Major-Gen. B. A. Hill, President of the Rugby Union, made a comment that will find sympathetic support in many quarters.

It was to the effect that in his opinion the laws should be drastically overhauled. The overhauling, he added, should be carried out in consultation with both players and referees, a constructive and wise criticism with which players and referees will certainly agree.

That not a great number of players could pass an examination on the rules, which are manifold and complicated, does not matter a great deal.

What does matter is the growing restlessness among players and those who are actively connected with clubs for which they turned out and are still helping to run, writes Peter Lawless.

"The old cry that the game is for the player," said a club official the other day, "never had less significance than it has to-day, when an automatic government rules a democratic game."

Certainly had players and referees been consulted the present hooking rule would never have come into force, with the ball going in "at moderate speed so that it just touches the ground beyond one foot of the nearest player in each front row."

Not only do the rules come in for adverse criticism, but the constitution of the Union itself is far from being universally approved. It is felt that too many of those in authority have outlived their period of usefulness; they are not only out of touch with the players, but out of sympathy, and by remaining in office they are blocking the way for younger men.

RETIRING PRESIDENTS

A frequently quoted example is that Presidents on retirement automatically hold office on the committee, on which they remain until death. In the case of the International Board, too, a member once elected can remain in office for his lifetime.

No one however hot-headed a revolutionary he may be, ready to see men who have done great service for the game conspired to sever their connections with it. But this could well be avoided by the adoption of the rule obtaining in the Scottish Union, where the retiring president retains a seat on the committee but has no power to vote.

Among the causes of dissatisfaction is the secrecy which veils so many of the activities of the Union Officials and players feel that they are kept too much in ignorance of what is being discussed and considered.

HISTORY OF THE BREAK

The history of the break and the statement issued by a committee of representatives from each of the four home unions is worth recalling. In March, 1931, following the French Federation, the following statement was issued:

"After examination of the documentary evidence furnished by the French Federation and the dissident clubs, we are compelled to state that, owing to the unsatisfactory condition of the game of Rugby Football in France, neither our Union, nor the clubs or unions under its jurisdiction, will be able to arrange or fulfil fixtures with France or French clubs at home or away after the end of this season unless and until we are satisfied that the control and conduct of the game has been placed on a satisfactory basis in all essentials."

The question that many players and club authorities are now asking is, what steps have the Rugby Union taken to find out whether the game in France has or has not been placed on a satisfactory basis in all essentials?

Scrummage Laws May Be Altered

Edinburgh, Mar. 19.

At a meeting held here today, the International Rugby Board discussed the scrummage laws, and decided to form a sub-committee to bring forward the recommendations on this matter to the Board's next meeting on the eve of the Calcutta Cup match at Twickenham next year.

Four Home Unions considered a letter from the French Federation on the resumption of Anglo-French Rugby matches. The nature of the Unions' reply is not known.

ENGLAND BEATS SCOTLAND

London, Mar. 19.

A crowd of 70,000 went to Murrayfield to see the Calcutta Cup match between England and Scotland, which was won by the former by nine points to six.

The pitch was very soft and cut up following rain mid-way through the first half. The teams were unchanged except that Murdoch, of Hillhead High School, replaced K. C. Fyfe, who was ill, in the Scottish side.

Scotland kicked off and was prominent in several early attacks. After Murdoch scored a grand try in the thirteenth minute, Crawford's attempt to convert was disallowed, and apparently he touched the ball.

England heeled from the scrum and after another scrum, Shaw scored an unconverted try. Three minutes later, Heaton went over for a penalty goal from 35 yards and the scores for England with another penalty goal.

England attacked on the resumption, and Scotland was forced on the defensive. Roberts was magnificent, repeatedly saving the situation. England was definitely on the ascendancy but Scotland stood up to the intensified attacks in a spirited manner.

England went ahead, when Heaton scored his third penalty goal, following a scrum infringement. Shaw then went to stand-off half in an effort to revive the Scottish hopes, but Scotland saw little of the ball. There was no further scoring.

As a result of their victory, England regained the Calcutta Cup. They are sharing the International championship with Ireland and Wales, each having four points.

OUR SPELLING BEE (see page 7)

gravamen — groundsel — contemptuous — pedometer — acutillon — pelican.



Robert Donat and Rosalind Russell in "The Citadel," adapted from Dr. A. J. Cronin's famous book of that name. The picture will shortly be shown in local theatres.

Samuel In Last Four In English Championships

London, Mar. 10.

A. S. Samuel, Malayan badminton player, has reached the semi-finals of the All-England championships and will meet Madsen, of Denmark, to-day. Madsen beat Samuel in the final of the Welsh championships and is a hot favourite for the All-England title.

Should Samuel succeed against him to-day he seems almost certain to win the championship. Few critics favour the Malayan but most of them concede that he is capable of beating the best players in the world on his day.

Samuel's progress up to the present has been: beat Mason 15-6, 15-5; beat Wingfield 15-5, 15-7; beat Baldwin 12-15, 18-16; 15-13.

Schmidt, of Denmark, beat M. P. Young, of Malacca, in the first round 9-15, 15-11, 15-5.

(Madsen won the title eventually, beating Samuel in the semi-finals and Ralph Nichols, holder, in the final.)

Straits Chinese Coming To H.K.

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presented the Chinese and Singapore teams. Played for Singapore in Malaya Cup games in 1934, and dropped out for some time. Suddenly regained his real form in a friendly State match in 1937 and has never looked back since. Malaya Cup Representative in 1937, 1938, and 1939.

Ha Tee-sing.—Inner right. Age 21. With James Goh as his partner he gained State honour in 1938 and with him from a regular hold this position for some time to come. A rather tricky player with good ball control, and kicks when least expected. Malaya Cup Rep. 1938.

Chia Keng-hock.—Centre forward. Age 26. Has been a first class player since 1931. Played very little soccer last year and is now making another come-back. Toured Manila with South China A.A. in 1931. Considered still one of the best centre-forwards in Malaya. Can kick with terrific force either leg. Malaya Cup Rep. 1933, 1934, 1935 and 1937.

Yuen Quan-chong.—Inner left. Age 28. Has been a regular member of the side since 1931. Can control the ball and has a fine body swerve. Malaya Cup Rep. 1938.

Loong Leek-boo.—Inner right or left. Reserve forward but still can show some of his old-time fine ball control. Represented Singapore in friendly games some years ago.

Ho Kok-choy.—Inner forward. Age 19. A coming footballer, has a good kick with either leg. Fast and very keen. Can play left-wing.

Kwan Soon-leek.—Left wing. Age 26. Formerly a good inside left for Selangor State XI until 1938 (from 1933) when he was selected for

Tennis CHAMPIONS PLAYING TO-DAY

Four matches in the doubles and two in the singles are down for decision this afternoon in the Colony Tennis Championships at the Hong-kong Cricket Club.

Chief attractions will be the doubles ties, all of which should prove interesting. The Tsui brothers, holders of the title, will meet Omar Rumi and S. A. Hussain, who have been playing particularly well of late, and though it is more than likely that the champions will win.

Two Of To-Day's Ties Postponed

Owing to the fact that S. A. Hussain has sprained an ankle, the doubles match arranged for to-day between the Tsui brothers (holders) and Hussain and O. Rumi has been postponed for a week.

The Club mixed doubles tie is also postponed.

They may have to play good tennis in order to do so.

Another fine match should be that in which A. V. Gosano and J. J. Remedios of the Club de Recreo, play W. C. Hung and E. C. Fincher, of the Kowloon C.C.

The full programme to-day is as follows:

Open Singles.—Peter U. v. L. J. S. Theobald; Wei Chung v. S. W. Liang.

Open Doubles.—I. M. A. Razack and A. R. Minu v. Tsui Ping-fan and Ng Kam-chuen; Lee Yue-wing and Ho Ku-lau v. L. J. M. Tomlinson and L. J. C. Loch; A. V. Gosano and J. J. Remedios v. W. C. Hung and E. C. Fincher; Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yun-pui v. O. Rumi and S. A. Hussain.

Club Handicap.—C. W. E. Bishop v. F. A. Joseph.

Club Mixed Doubles.—Mr. and Mrs. E. J. R. Mitchell v. T. J. Gould and Mrs. Whyte-Smith.

INTER-CLUB TENNIS

In an inter-club tennis match played yesterday, the Kowloon Bowling Green Club defeated the Kowloon Dock Recreation Club by 80 games to 58.

WEEK-END FOOTBALL RESULTS

Sunday Herald Charity Cup (Semi-final)		
China	4	England 1
First Division		
R. Navy	0	Eastern 1
Middlesex	3	St. Joseph's 0
Police	4	S. China "A" 3
S. China "B"	3	Kowloon 0
Second Division		
Engineers	0	Middlesex 1
Kowloon	2	5th Bde. 1
Kwong Wah	3	Club 1
S. China	4	Police 1
Third Division "A"		
30th Bty.	2	Kit Chee 1

LEAGUE TABLE

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Navy	19	13	3	3	50	24	20
S. China "A"	17	13	0	4	41	19	20
Eastern	18	11	3	4	45	30	25
Middlesex	19	9	3	7	42	34	21
S. China "B"	19	8	3	8	36	33	19
Kwong Wah	20	6	8	6	34	44	18
Kowloon	17	7	3	7	22	25	17
Police	18	6	0	11	44	55	16
R. Navy	17	4	7	6	33	52	15
Club	19	4	1	14	32	65	9
St. Joseph's	18	2	3	13	29	50	7
	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Middlesex	22	18	1	3	32	30	37
S. China "A"	21	16	3	2	61	22	35
S. China "B"	20	16	2	2	58	23	34
R. Navy	21	10	1	4	72	19	33
Kwong Wah	20	12	0	8	58	54	24
R. Engineers	21	11	0	10	54	48	22
R.A.O.C.	21	9	2	10	53	61	20
Kowloon	22	7	0	15	38	58	14
Police	22	6	2	14	27	75	14
St. Joseph's	22	6	1	15	33	29	13
Eastern	21	0	5	16	19	71	5
Club	21	1	1	19	15	78	3

RECORD BROKEN AT UNIVERSITY ATHLETIC MEET

London, Mar. 19.

Oxford beat Cambridge by 70 points to 41 in the annual University athletic contest, which was decided over 13 events.

J. N. Irwin, of Oxford, won the 220 yards low hurdles in the Inter-Varsity record time of 24.5 seconds; while T. L. Lockton, also of Oxford, equalled the Inter-Varsity record of 14.9 seconds in winning the 120 yards hurdles.

TRIPARTITE MEET

Japan, Manchukuo and Chinese Athletics to Compete

Tokyo, Mar. 18.

Supported by the Japan Athletic Association and the Manchukuo Athletic Federation, a tripartite athletic meet will be held in Manchukuo this fall between Japanese, Manchukuo and Chinese athletes. It was announced here to-day. Detailed arrangements are in progress between the authorities of the three countries concerned.

Recreio Team Beat Chinese In Play-Off

The following were the results of the softball matches played yesterday:

Men's League Play-off.—Recreio 3, Chinese Baseball Club 1.

Women's League.—Canadian Chinese 14, Filipino 10; Wildcat 25, Panthers 13.

International Series.—Philippines 7, Great Britain 4; India 3, Portugal "B" 1.

Inter-Hong League.—Socony 15, National City Bank 8; Texaco 24, R.A.F. 12; Dutch Bank 27, American Express 3.

BOAT RACE TRIAL

In a trial over the full course from Putney to Mortlake, the Cambridge boat race crew returned the time of 19 mins. 59 secs.

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RIDING SCHOOL SPORTS

Although weather conditions were far from ideal, competitors at the Hongkong Riding School's annual sports gave excellent exhibitions of the art at the School grounds at Tai Hang Road yesterday.

Some excitement was caused when Mr. R. Brooks was thrown off his pony in the jumping competition, but he was unhurt as he managed to cling on to the reins and pull himself up after being unseated. There were one or two other minor incidents, but the events were carried out quite smoothly with no untoward happenings.

For the third year in succession, Frankie Langley annexed the Harriman-Challenge Cup—after a hard tussle with Veronica Walker. Miss Mary Steele-Perkins rode very well in the Advanced Children's Competition to win. Master G. Leckie put up a very good display to secure second prize.

Little Bubbles Kerr and Master Colin Selby ran first and second after a good competition in the event for Tiny Tots.

In the second and third classes of the Children's Learners' Competition, Master B. Rasch and Master A. Forsyth were successful. The third class resulted in a win for Master F. Hechtel and Miss George Holmes.

Miss Penelope Dodwell were first and second in the Wee Ponies and Bare Back Competition, the latter being done with arms folded.

The last event on the card was a very good display of jumping, which was won easily by Nancy Kerrison. Second place was taken by Frankie Langley, who carried off the Harriman Challenge Cup presented by G. A. Harriman.

Before calling on Mrs. John Fleming to present the prizes, Lt. Col. H. B. L. Dowbiggin said that the parents of the children should be grateful to Mr. Bob Charles for having such a splendid school organized for them.

He further said that the judging had been extremely difficult this year, while the riding had improved immensely. He then congratulated all the pupils, and Mr. Charles in particular, for the great progress in the School.

Miss V. Walker presented a bouquet of flowers to Mrs. Fleming at the conclusion of the prizegiving, while three hearty cheers were given for Mrs. Fleming and Bob and Mrs. Charles.

Besides Col. Dowbiggin, the other judges were Major F. Hogg, Capt. L. M. Reidy and Capt. A. Hulton Potts.

75 Age Limit For Clergy?

DESPITE a protest by a 75-year-old clergyman that it was "cruel," the Church Assembly in London recently passed a resolution that every holder of a benefice, including a bishopric, should voluntarily retire at a fixed age.

An age limit of 75 in normal circumstances, was suggested. The Archbishop of Canterbury, who is 74, declaring it carried, commented: "That is very nearly a unanimous vote—a fact of which I shall take notice."

Lord Hugh Cecil, who introduced the motion, said: "It may be doubted whether 'misconduct' does so much harm to the life of the Church as the growing incapacity of old age."

"SWORD OVER MY HEAD"

The Rev. Robert J. E. Boggs, of Torquay, who is 75, said: "Hanging over my head is a narrow sword suspended by a single hair, and Lord Hugh Cecil is ready with the shears to sever that hair. From the cruelty of Lord Hugh I appeal to the Assembly."

"I have spent my fortune on the education of my children and I have now £25 a year left, with two children still dependent on me. "It is not much after 51 years' service to be faced with a pension of only £175 a year."

HOPE TO GROW PLUMS

London.

Five plum trees have arrived at the Royal Horticultural Society's gardens, Wisley, Surrey, from Nelson, B. C. Scientists hope to be able to grow the trees on English soil.

Advanced Children's Competition (Class 1).—1, Master F. Langley; 2, Miss V. Walker; 3, E. Fleming. Tiny Tots Competition.—1, Master B. Kerr; 2, Master C. Selby.

Child Learners' Competition (Class 2).—1, Master B. Rasch; 2, Master A. Forsyth. Child Learners' Competition (Class 3).—1, Master F. Hechtel; 2, Miss G. Holmes; 3, J. Selby.

Wee Ponies and Bare Back Riding.—1, Miss V. Walker; 2, Miss P. Dodwell.

Jumping Competition.—1, Miss N. Kerrison; 2, Master F. Langley. The Harriman Challenge Cup for the best rider in the School was won by Master F. Langley, while Miss N. Kerrison won the prize of a whip for being the best girl rider.

A special prize awarded by "Happy Landings" was given to Miss C. Hickman for plucky riding.

A riding display was also given by the two School amahs, Ah Sum and Ah Jui.

Cups were donated by Messrs. E. A. Abram, A. W. Amps, J. K. Bousfield, B. W. Bradby, R. H. J. Brooks, C. B. Brown, R. C. Butler, N. V. A. Craucher, Lt. Col. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Eu Tong Sen, J. Fleming, G. A. Harriman, P. M. Hodgson, Major F. Hogg, W. A. Jones, S. W. Lee, Surg. Comdr. T. C. H. Hutton, M. G. O'Connor, Capt. A. Hulton Potts, G. W. Sewell, G. G. N. Tinson, Capt. L. M. Reidy, R. A. Rodgers, Mrs. V. Walker, and Dr. F. A. van Woerden.

I'm Never To Time!

By AN UNPUNCTUAL MODERN

I HAVE come to the conclusion that punctuality is an overrated virtue. We were never meant to live like clockwork toys or inhumanly accurate machines.

I myself have suffered from a laudable, but aggravating, desire to be in time and, having given myself at least half an hour too much, have been forced to pace wearily up and down a street, vainly trying to keep my mind off a coming interview.

Then, quaking, I have entered on the dot to find that someone else is late and keeps me waiting! Now, if I had been unpunctual, reasonably so, there would not have been time for disquieting thoughts and the all-important impression would have been made that I was a much sought-after person.

In social life, too, unpunctuality is an asset. The firstcomer bears the strain of meeting strangers with factum visage and of making conversation with a seemingly tongue-tied guest. How much better it is to arrive later and find a beaming host and a crowd of chattering people!

Also, the late-comer enters alone and is not one of an indistinguishable crowd. She can put on a model gown, a distinctive air, and sail into a room gracefully, without hesitating upon the threshold, sure that she will be the cynosure of admiring eyes.

An Elusive Air

Women, they say, should be elusive, perplexing, ever uncertain. That elusive air, I find, is well-elusive; but it can be cultivated. The essential thing is never to let the what is expected and one can start, I think, by being a little late.

The woman who keeps a man waiting, not too long, is, I believe, more appreciated when she actually comes. He begins to wonder if she is safe, to realise how he misses her and how little he knows of the real "she." It does not do to be taken for granted.

Is there anyone who is punctual in the morning? Can anyone seriously like getting up? A few snatched minutes in bed at 7 a.m. are more enjoyable than a whole night of unbroken rest. My mattress always seems softer when I ought to get up, and the spice of excitement in the fact that I may miss my bus lends enjoyment to a trifle.

Life to a time-table is sadly uninteresting. The late-comer is sought because she does not seek, because she is not over-eager. Unmethodical, maybe, but happy, she lives her own, not another's, life.

BEAUTY TIPS

At this season you may find that your skin is in a condition that is half-way between scalliness and blotchiness. You can correct it without elaborate care. Just use a cleansing cream before your soap and water washing every night and use a skin tonic to help perk up your skin. Once a week use a good stimulating cream or mask and leave a rich cream on your skin for half an hour or longer. Finish the treatment with a brisk massage with a pad of cotton soaked in ice water or cold astringent.

SHORT CUTS

The offensive odour and smoke caused by oven spills may be checked by sprinkling a quantity of table salt over the spilled substance.

Fasten a paper bag over the mouth of the grinder with a rubber band when putting crackers and dry bread through the food chopper.

Of course you can wear these new short skirts ...

A lot of women are jibbing at the idea of wearing their skirts 17ins. off the ground. But there are ways of making short skirts look longer and more becoming.

THE new short skirt style started in America. Not surprising, because American women can usually count on their well-shaped greyhound legs as one of their best points.

But English women find these just-over-the-knee-length skirts pretty trying. Some of you are probably saying to yourself: "But I can't wear these short skirts." If so, this is what you must do:—

FIRST: Concentrate on getting all the lines of your suits and frocks vertical; panels, pleats, trimmings must run downwards; this will make your frock look longer than it actually is.

SECOND: Go in for petticoats, band hems, anything which will add an extra inch or so without appearing to.

THIRD: Wear dark-toned stockings, matching your frock if possible. FOURTH: Wear heels as high as you can comfortably take them. These will lift you and your skirt well off the ground without showing any more of your legs.

Here are two spring outfits—a suit and a frock—to illustrate the point:—

LEFT: Print frock in the silk with a small grey and white design. A white frilly petticoat shows an inch below the hem of the skirt, and is matched by another frill which curves down each side of the bodice, and another round the edge of each short sleeve. Neck of the dress is filled in with a plain white shirt front, caught at the neck by two buttons, and again at the waist.

The skirt of the frock is made in six panels (giving a longer look) and flares to a wide hem.

RIGHT: Navy blue suit in wool twill. Here again the lines are all long and curved on the short jacket, which is tight-waisted and dips a couple of inches at the back. Inside is a pale blue waistcoat slip, and inside that a dark blue blouse. Jacket has a small blue velvet collar at the back.

The skirt is short and full, yes, but the fulness comes from clumps of unpressed pleats which are stitched down to the hips, and spring out from there, not the waist (a much easier line to wear).

Arabian Turnovers

½ cup butter
1 package cream cheese
2 cups flour
¼ teaspoon flour

Cream butter and cheese then add flour and salt and mix to firm dough. Wrap in waxed paper and chill until very firm. Roll thin on a floured board and cut into 3 inch squares.

Place 1 tablespoon of the following date filling on each square then fold over bringing the corners together into a crescent shape. Arrange on a greased baking sheet and bake in a hot oven about 15 minutes.



For a smart mixed foursome at bridge or poker, tiny evening hats find favour. Sally Victor designed these, one of tri-coloured twisted velvet and the other on the right of contrasting ostrich feathers mounted on black velvet. Both gowns were created by Elizabeth Hawes of metallic cloth. The one on the left is dark red, with low, square-cut neck and adjustable lacing. The other is of silver cloth with just a hint of blue running through the entire gown.

Can You Apologise Gracefully?

CAN you apologise? Can you sincerely and humbly say "I'm sorry" when you know you are in the wrong, when you know you have caused a quarrel?

If you are the type of woman who can pocket her pride and take the first steps towards clearing the air of misunderstanding, one thing is certain. You are a sympathetic woman, an intelligent woman, and you have luck!

There is no doubt about it, it is difficult to take the initial step after a "liff" and to be the one to offer the olive branch. "Please forgive me" are small words which mean so much, and yet they are often so hard to utter.

If we can bring ourselves to take the plunge and apologise, however, it is well worth while, for misunderstandings which may quickly be put right by a few simple words, assume terrific proportions if left to flourish in an atmosphere of dread.

How often two people drift further apart simply because neither of them will squash their pride and offer an apology?

Family Feuds
Family quarrels between relations can soon develop into bitter feuds if either side has not the courage to talent of the heart and mind, and come forward and acknowledge itself an apology when necessary. Is a quarrel are wretched really, and we should never be in a hurry to long to be friends again. Even in blame others when there is a possibility of clearing the air so that things can fault.

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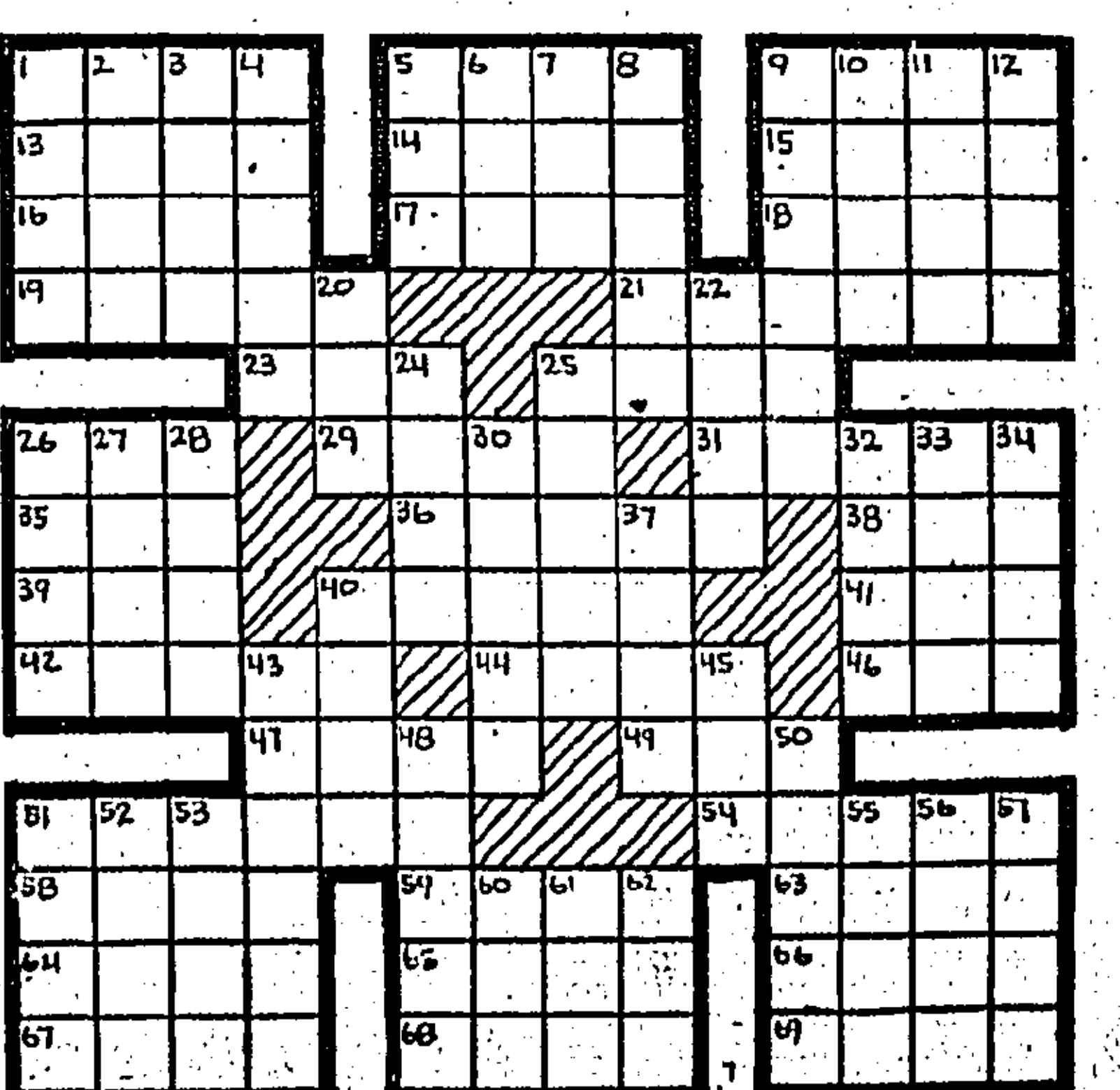
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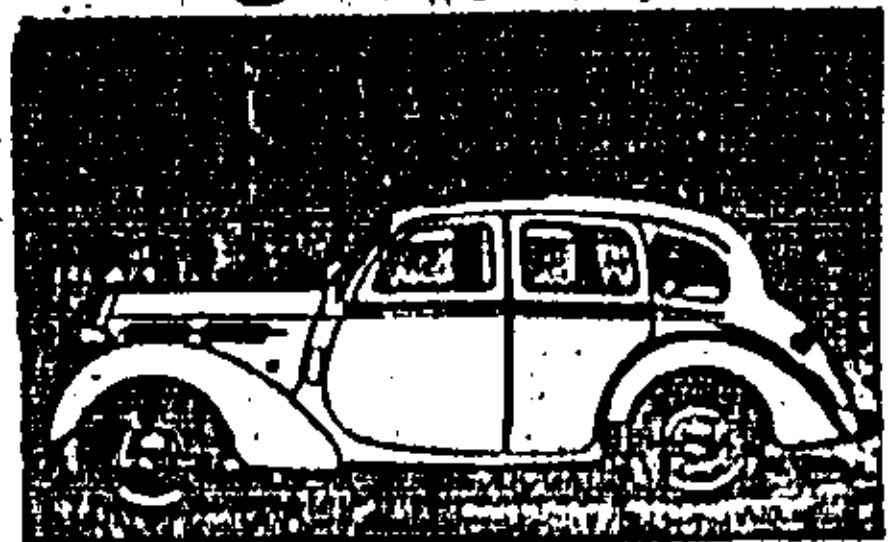
ACROSS
1—Utter wildly
2—"Bap"
3—Whisperous rush
4—Where bread is made
5—Extra and occasional (Scottish)
6—Calcium oxide
7—Drive to forces
8—Pertaining to climbing herb of bean family
9—Confess frankly
10—Natural fat
11—Assiduously directed
12—Mass pile
13—Blow from wind
14—Gunning
15—Whim
16—Become spoiled
17—Cried to him
18—Type of duck
19—Common rodent
20—Soul (French)
21—At inward point
22—Unnecessary activity
23—Articles of commerce
24—Grating
25—Benjamin
26—Counter-tenor voice
27—Pursue him
28—In football, one who throws ball
29—Blatant bluff shot
30—Door for leaving
31—Present to view
32—Fender calous
33—Give anything objectionable to
34—Silver emptying on

DOWN
1—Ancient money of account
2—Many names
3—Made forlorn
4—Chart with electricity
5—Egyptian sun-god
6—Bismarck-like amphibian
7—Curved support
8—In vicinity of
9—External appearance of person
10—Small tree of oak family
11—Irish playwright
12—Scene of last battle
13—Commercial Conference
14—River in Belgium
15—Desert island
16—Yellow-gray color
17—Pine bud on stalk
18—English public school
19—Scandinavian navigator
20—Christian festival
21—Water barrier
22—Commercial exchange
23—Commonly together
24—Spanish coin
25—Aster
26—Food fish
27—Bottom of foot
28—Water pitcher
29—Astrakhan fur
30—Is (French)
31—Favorite English brew



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LONDON, MAR. 19.

IT IS LEARNED THAT THE CABINET YESTERDAY AGREED THAT THERE SHOULD BE AN IMMEDIATE CONTACT BETWEEN GREAT BRITAIN AND PEACE-LOVING COUNTRIES ALL OVER THE WORLD.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain left Downing Street at 5.50 p.m. to-day and drove to Buckingham Palace for an audience with the King, to whom he reported on the latest developments in the European situation.

Two or three hundred people were in Downing Street and cheered the Premier as he drove away.

The Premier remained with the King for just over an hour, and then drove back to Downing Street.

CABINET MEET CALLED

Viscount Halifax re-visited Downing Street at 4.45 p.m. and remained for two hours with the Prime Minister.

A Cabinet meeting will be held to-morrow. Viscount Halifax, Sir Kingsley Wood, and Mr. Oliver Stanley called this morning to see the Premier, while Lord Chatfield, and Sir Thomas Inskip called this afternoon.

Viscount Halifax and Mr. Oliver Stanley paid a second visit in the afternoon.

SOVIET ENVOY ACTIVE

It is also reported that M. Maisky, the Soviet Ambassador, spent half an hour with Viscount Halifax at the Foreign Office this afternoon.

Sir Neville Henderson arrived in London this afternoon, and he drove straight to the Foreign Office where he had an interview, lasting forty-five minutes, with Viscount Halifax.

In pursuance of his instructions to return to report to Berlin, the German Ambassador, Herr von Dirksen left London this afternoon for Berlin.—*Reuter*.

Anglo-French-Russian Conference Favoured

LONDON, MAR. 19.

ALTHOUGH VARIOUS disclaimers have been received from Berlin and Bucharest with regard to Germany's alleged commercial demands against Rumania, the possibility of a German threat to Rumania is not to be regarded as dismissed, writes a diplomatic observer.

The conclusions reached by the British Government as a result of numerous diplomatic and ministerial conversations over the week-end will not be known until Mr. Chamberlain and Viscount Halifax make considered statements to-morrow in the House of Commons and House of Lords respectively.

Mr. Chamberlain conferred with the King for one hour to-day, and also with Lord Chatfield and all the other defence Ministers.

DEFENCE ACCELERATION

It is learned that one result of yesterday's Cabinet meeting was the decision for an immediate and big acceleration in the re-arming programme.

A further Cabinet meeting has been fixed for to-morrow morning.

Meanwhile it is evident that Britain and France will not be taken unawares by a further German coup.

It is understood that the possibility of collaboration between Britain, France and Russia was discussed in general terms during M. Maisky's call on Viscount Halifax to-day.—*Reuter*.

FULL POWERS FOR DALADIER

Paris, Mar. 19.
The Senate has voted M. Daladier full powers by 236 votes to 17.—*Reuter*.

FRENCH ENVOY LEAVES

Berlin, Mar. 19.
The French Ambassador is leaving for Paris to-night to report on the Central European situation.—*Reuter*.

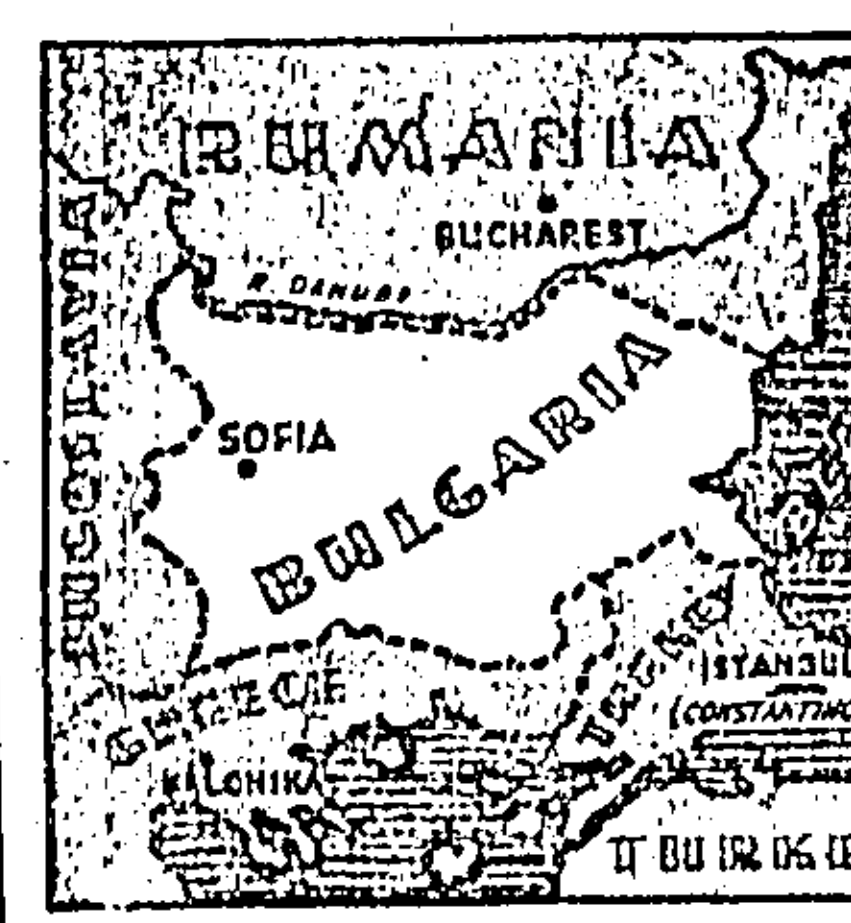
STRONG SOVIET NOTE

Moscow, Mar. 19.
In the course of a note to Germany refusing to recognise the legal validity of the German action in Czechoslovakia, M. Maxim Litvinov, the Soviet Foreign Minister declares that the Czechoslovak Republic has been one of the few European States where internal tranquility and a peaceable foreign policy were really secured.

The note declines to believe that any people, who for hundreds of years fought to independence, would

To-day's News Map

shows (in light shading) the countries of the Balkan Entente, Rumania, Yugoslavia, Greece and Turkey, whose statesmen have banded together against totalitarian aggression. A recent meeting led to a strengthening of the ties between the four countries.



Later, Bulgaria may abandon her position of isolation in the Balkans and join the Entente.
But Nazi agents are already active in Jugo-Slavia and Rumania, seeking to break up the combination which would halt Hitler's drive to the Black Sea.

PALESTINE CRISIS

NEW OUTBREAK OF GUERRILLA TERROR

JERUSALEM, Mar. 19.

DESPITE ADDITIONAL precautions by the British military authorities to preserve order, following the failure of the Palestine conference, guerilla warfare continued to-day, and numerous incidents were reported from all parts of the country.

NO FAITH IN POWERS' GUARANTEE Norway Will Seek Own Preservation

OSLO, Mar. 19.

NORWAY WILL NOT request or seek her security to be guaranteed by Great Britain or any other group of Powers, declared M. C. J. Hambro, President of the Norwegian Parliament in an address to-day, in which he emphasised Norway's determination to preserve her neutrality.

M. Hambro referred to the proposal made in the British House of Commons that Great Britain should guarantee the independence of the Scandinavian countries.

He stated: "We have never believed in the value of such guarantees, and to-day, faith in promises of support from other Powers is weaker than ever before."

Our neutrality policy cannot be based on false feelings of security which would arise as a result of such a guarantee, but must be founded on our own ability and will to defend our neutrality against all sides. Once neutrality ceases to be neutrality."

He concluded with the remark that the Norwegian will for neutrality could be best expressed in times of peace through strengthening their defence forces, since it was only thus that a feeling of security in Europe can be strengthened.—*Trans-Ocean*.

An Arab official of the district administration in Akko was fired upon by an Arab irregular and severely wounded. The assailant escaped.

As a punishment for the attack, the British authorities proclaimed an immediate curfew, and imposed a fine of £300 on the town, which British troops collected by force on Sunday.

The bullet-ridden body of an Arab was found near Haifa, and a Jew was seriously wounded near the Jaffa railway station when he was fired upon by an Arab irregular.

A land mine exploded beneath a train between Kalkileh and Rasceleh, damaging the train and the track. An unexploded bomb was found in Haifa.

The death sentence on an Arab was confirmed to-day by the Commander-in-Chief of the British military forces in Palestine.

A Jewish general strike, proclaimed for Monday throughout Palestine, as a protest against the failure of the conference, has been postponed for an indefinite period, but all Arabs in Haifa have closed their shops as a sign of protest. A transportation strike also started to-day.—*Trans-Ocean*.

Air Mail Delay

Already two days late, the air mail has been delayed another day and is now expected to reach Kaitak at 5 p.m. to-morrow.

To-day, emphasised Poland's confidence in the strength of her army, and concluded with the words: "We have created a free and independent Poland, and it shall remain independent and self-reliant, and we shall not entrust our future to anybody's protection."—*Reuter Special*.

TROOPS MOVING TO RUMANIAN FRONTIER

BUCHAREST, Mar. 19.

ROADS IN THE north-western districts of Rumania are crowded with troops moving rapidly towards the Rumanian and Hungarian frontiers.

Official circles, however, emphasise that there is no general mobilisation, but that large numbers of young men have been called to the colours.

Rumania May Be Forced Into Totalitarian Camp

THE SUGGESTION that the Rumanian Ministers to London and Paris, M. Tila and M. Tatulescu, have hinted the possibility of Rumania choosing to be taken within the orbit of Germany, rather than to trust to the support of the western Powers, is contained in a "United Press" message from Bucharest.

The report says that M. Tila and M. Tatulescu in their visits to the London and Paris foreign offices, explained the difficult position of Rumania as a result of Germany's latest annexation.

It is stated that they described German progress in the south-east of Europe and also the weight of Germany's preponderance there, pointing out that with Bohemia and Slovakia, the Greater Reich will now have over 50 per cent. of Rumania's exports and imports.

RISK OF DISPLEASURE

It is understood they explained that Rumania has large German and Hungarian minorities whose feelings the Government must consider, and that, therefore, it would be most foolish to attract Germany's displeasure under such circumstances. Every one expects a promise of far-reaching support by western Powers will hardly prevent Rumania more or less entering the orbit of German influence, whereas Germany might be willing to protect Rumania to a certain extent against Hungarian and Bulgarian revisionist tendencies.

It was reported to have emphasised this does not mean that Rumania does not wish to continue economic collaboration and friendly relations with other Powers.

VERY GREAT RISKS

M. Penfil Scheleacu, editor of the "Centul" to-day declared that "Germany wants economic collaboration and close friendly relations with Rumania."

He explained that strained relations with Germany would involve very great risks.

Friendship, on the other hand, did not imply vassalage, or an economic protectorate, but a "sentiment of mutual confidence and satisfaction in their interests, which are supplementary to one another."

As censorship is very strict in Rumania, such an article is regarded as reflecting the Government's view, or at least, not being contrary to its view.

TRUST IN KING

Other newspapers in Rumania carefully refrain from expressing any opinions on Rumania's international policy. They emphasise the necessity of preserving calmness and trust in King Carol.

It is characteristic that while the entire press, apropos Mr. Chamberlain's speech, largely comments on friction among the democracies, not one of them expresses its own opinion on the speech.—*United Press*.

The Canadian Pacific round-the-world cruise liner Empress of Britain arrived at Ball on Sunday at 6 a.m. and leaves to-day at 6 p.m. she is due at Batavia on Wednesday.

FIGHTING CONTINUES

Ruthenians Defend Their Homeland

WARSAW, Mar. 19.

SANGUINARY CLASHES between Hungarian troops and the Ruthenian defence organisation "Sic" continued to-day, according to reports from special correspondents.

It is declared that the Hungarians have adopted more cautious tactics, and are advancing slowly, taking no chances. Orders have been given that any Ukrainian caught with a weapon in his hand is to be shot on sight.

A pitched battle took place near Rano during which the Hungarians lost ten soldiers.

A Hungarian company advanced into an ambush and was machine-gunned, but the Ukrainians were finally driven across the Rumanian frontier.

According to reports, the Hungarians lost 100 men and the Ukrainians 70 in a battle for the possession of the capital of the district of Hus.

The Ukrainians were in the majority, but lacked adequate weapons and ammunition. They were finally forced to retreat across a swamp in which many sank and were drowned.

Before the arrival of the Hungarians, the Ukrainians were said to have massacred a considerable number of Czechs.—*Trans-Ocean*.

TROOPS POUR ACROSS THE FRONTIER

Munkacs, Mar. 19.
Hungary is still pouring troops into Ruthenia despite completion of the occupation of territory.

Trains carrying troops are leaving here for Ruthenia three times every hour.

Great activity prevails, not only here, but all along the frontier between Hungary and the former Czechoslovakia.

Young men called to the colours are hastening to rejoin their regiments, while peasants, with horses and carts carrying loads are making for the mobilisation centres.

It is stated that during the occupation of Ruthenia, the Hungarians lost 200 dead, and a much larger number wounded.

No serious incidents have been reported since completion of the occupation.—*Continued on Page 4.*

SIGHTED, Mar. 19.

The Rumanian frontier is now strongly guarded, and all frontier posts have been reinforced.

Hungarian regulars have occupied posts on the Ruthenian side of the frontier.

Many refugees from Ruthenia have been cared for by the Rumanian military authorities and sent into the interior.

Refugees of Ukrainian, Galician and Russian origin have been put in a concentration camp temporarily.

Ukrainian guards which crossed the River Tisza into Rumania yesterday were sent back over the frontier.—*Reuter*.

LITHUANIAN MINISTER IN BERLIN

The Lithuanian Foreign Minister, M. Joseph Urbey, arrived in Berlin to-day from Rome.

According to the Lithuanian Legation, he will spend Monday in Berlin, although whether he will confer with officials of the German Foreign Office is not known.—*Trans-Ocean*.

VANSITTART BLAMED

Berlin, Mar. 19.
The "Diplomatische Korrespondenz," organ of the German Foreign Office, repeats an official denial of the report of an "ultimatum" being presented to Rumania.—*Reuter Special*.

A "Trans-Ocean" message says that Sir Robert Vansittart and the Rumanian Minister in London are held responsible for the report concerning the alleged "ultimatum."

LATEST

See Back Page For
Further Late News

EFFECT OF INVASION ON HONGKONG CZECHS

SEVERAL MEMBERS of the colony of Czech subjects in Hongkong have been told to change their passports for German ones on instructions from their head offices in Czechoslovakia.

To-day the German Consul in Hongkong, Mr. H. Gipperich, said he had had no reports from Europe and could make no comment on the present status of former Czech subjects in Hongkong.

"I cried when I read the newspapers that Germany had invaded Czechoslovakia," said a Czech who was interviewed by the "Telegraph" this morning.

He said there was unanimous local opinion about Hitler and his methods. As his mother and sister and sister still lived near Zila, he asked that his name should be withheld, for fear that the Nazis might throw them into a concentration camp.

UNHAPPY CZECHS IN LOST HOMELAND

Prague, Mar. 19.
Many Czechs went walking in the country to-day to avoid witnessing a parade of German troops in Wenzels Place, during which Czechs

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INJURED WORKMEN'S £8,500

Unknown Perils From Chemicals

"THIS case is rather like the Croydon typhoid case in as much as we now know much that we didn't know before," said Mr. H. J. Wallington, K.C., in the King's Bench Division recently when a settlement involving the payment of £8,500 damages to two workmen in a chemical factory was mentioned to Mr. Justice Lewis.

Plaintiffs were Eric Laurence Lee and Sydney Stephen Radford, employees of the Leyton Manufacturing Company, Limited, of Hainault Road, Leytonstone.

Mr. Cartwright Sharp, K.C., for the workmen, said there was not now any doubt that, owing to vapours arising from certain chemicals, very grave personal injuries had been inflicted on the plaintiffs. The point in the case was whether that was due to the negligence of the company.

"Radford is in a terrible state," he added, "and Lee is suing by his 'next friend' as he is incapable of managing his own affairs."

UNABLE TO WORK AGAIN

Mr. Sharp said Lee would receive £3,500 and Radford £5,000, clear of all costs. Lee would probably never be able to do any work again. The workmen's case was that though steps were taken to protect the men from the vapours they were insufficient.

The chemicals manufactured formed a new industry in this country, and the company maintained that they now knew more about the dangers than they could have known earlier.

Mr. Wallington, for the company, said before they began the manufacture they made exhaustive inquiries in America and Germany through the Home Office. They were so satisfied with the results of those inquiries that they thought there was no danger at all.

Mr. Justice Lewis, approving the settlement, said it did seem as if the defendants had a good defence. An employer could only do what was reasonable, and they had taken the precautions in regard to what danger was known.

Queen Approves Crinolines

Crinolines have been approved by the Queen for wear by debutantes at Court presentations this year.

She wore one herself recently, and gave the fashion a big lift. Now they have been chosen as the equals of formal, straight Court dresses for wearing with trains and feathers, they are established as a fashion which will last perhaps for years.

Mme. Handley-Seymour has made two Court designs with crinoline skirts as wide as the most advanced Paris models.

British Trade In China

London.

A FURTHER question was asked in the House of Commons recently regarding the interference by Japan with British trade in the Far East.

Mr. Morel asked the Prime Minister whether he is aware that a British firm in Tsingtao have complained to His Majesty's Consul-General that the Japanese naval mission has signalled that permits to import dyed cloth into Tsingtao will be refused unless accompanied by a certificate that the goods are of Japanese manufacture; and what action he has taken in the matter?

Mr. Butler: Yes, Sir, and my Noble Friend is awaiting a full report on the matter.

Mr. Morel: Is my right hon. Friend aware that these restrictions are being applied not only to imports into China but also to exports; and may I have an opportunity of discussing the matter with him?

Mr. Butler: I shall be very glad to discuss the matter with my hon. Friend.

Cows Betray Fugitive

BRISBANE, Australia.

Ronald Auburn Chapman, 20, would like to be a detective. He has been a fugitive since he escaped from the Rockhampton jail and had concealed himself in a hollow log when a herd of cows, gathering around in a semi-circle, attracted the attention of a constable.

She Has 2 'Planes And A "Rolls"

Salisbury. Fifty-six-years-old Mrs. Margaret Hollands of Quincey, Andover, who owns two aeroplanes and a Rolls-Royce car, was charged with her son Francis at Salisbury recently with the theft of a tarpaulin used to cover one of her 'planes.

She was fined £4, with 6s. 3d. costs, and her son was fined £1. She was allowed a month in which to pay.

In her lamp-lit bungalow, standing in ten acres of grounds, Mrs. Hollands told how she came to own the 'planes and car.

"I brought the aeroplane as junk for my son to study aeronautics and the Rolls, which formerly belonged to Sir William Whiteley, and originally cost £5,000, I picked up for £15 three years ago.

PLANNED HIRE SERVICE

"I intended starting a hire service with the car but I found it was impracticable. I kept it, hoping it might be useful in a film or for breaking up."

"My son, who is 22 years of age, has a life ambition to become an air pilot but unfortunately he has a weak heart and has been forbidden to work.

"All the same he is studying aeronautics and when I was offered an old Avro machine very cheaply, I bought it for him.

"The other machine is a Bristol fighter which belonged to a friend of my son. He could not afford to pay hangar fees and I offered to house the machine.

LEFT PENNILESS

"I was brought up luxuriously and my husband was a famous musician some years ago. He was known professionally as 'Herr Frischer'."

"I travelled with him on four round-the-world tours, and he was earning thousands a year. He lived up to it, and when he found his resources at an end he took his life. I was left penniless."

"Since his death I have been trying to live by doing needlework."

"In the police court it was said I had written begging letters. I have only written one—three years ago. I wrote to a titled woman in London who knew my husband at the height of his career and asked her to assist me.

"She mistook my genuine appeal and informed the police."

FAITH HEALING

El Reno, Okla.

A "faith healer" helped an El Reno woman place \$93 in currency in a bandage on her injured knee, asserting that the money would cure the ailment. When the bandage was removed, the \$93 was missing. The woman sought the police.



Dr. Oswaldo Aranha, Brazil's Foreign Minister, chatting with newspapermen as he arrived in New York for a week of conference with Administration leaders in Washington. The tall, suave Brazilian, a good friend of the United States ever since his term as Ambassador in Washington, said there was little likelihood of totalitarianism in Brazil.

Royal Yacht To Be Hospital Ship

The King's Wish Revealed

A HIGH OFFICIAL of the Admiralty revealed recently that the King had said that in the event of war, the Royal Yacht would become available as a hospital ship.

Therefore the new yacht, for which provision is made in the estimates just published, would be a ship of the highest standing.

Although the estimates show a gross total of £150,000,001, and are the largest ever presented in peacetime, it is almost certain that they will be even higher next year, the official added.

It was also stated that there is a shortage of young officers and that the Admiralty were looking for other methods to increase the number.

PROMOTION SCHEME

They hoped shortly to publish a scheme dealing with the Naval Reserve and the Volunteer Reserve, which would offer promotion not only from warrant rank, but also direct from the lower deck.

The Navy will have under construction during 1939 two hundred ships of various kinds.

Film Life Of Lord Kitchener

WAR OFFICE records of the sinking of H.M.S. Hampshire, in which Lord Kitchener lost his life, will be made public for the first time in a film of the life of Kitchener of Khartoum which Herbert Wilcox is to produce.

"The full details of the sinking of the Hampshire will come out in the film," Mr. Wilcox said when he left Southampton in the liner Normandie on his way to Hollywood to find an actor for the leading role.

"I am hoping to bring back with me an English actor who is world-famous, but who has never made a film in England," he said. He would not deny that he was referring to Ronald Colman.

Sir Robert Vansittart, Chief Diplomatic Adviser to the Government, has written the book, and the film will be made at Denham with the full co-operation of the War Office. The Admiralty and members of Kitchener's family.

It will deal with Kitchener's life from the Sudan days to the great war. Queen Victoria will appear for three minutes, and this part will probably be played by Anna Neagle.

Scarlet Pimpernel Freed: 'Lost Everything'

Somewhere in Sussex. THE Scarlet Pimpernel of the Spanish war, Captain Edwin Christopher Lance, D.S.O., who for the last eighteen months had lived in a prison under the daily threat of the execution squad, arrived secretly in England recently.

Captain Lance was accused by the Spanish Republicans of having smuggled out of the country more than 100 men and women of noble birth, wealth, or political hostility.

"I was regarded as the most dangerous man in the country," he said. "I had two crime sheets. No. 1 accused me of being a spy, No. 2 of being an accomplice."

"At the moment I am the most ignorant man in Europe. I do not know what has been happening for the last year and a half. When I crossed the French border with the British Minister in Barcelona, Mr. Ralph Stevenson, I had to ask him who was King of England now."

"I have lost everything I had except my gold signet-ring. My father gave it to me on my twenty-first birthday, and I have hidden it in many places, including my mouth and between my toes."

"Towards the end of last week, when things were getting bad, there were 2,000 of us imprisoned in a former monastery near Figueras, El Collot. Before that there had been only 300."

"Seven others were packed with me in my tiny cell. Before that I was in the Uruguay, the prison ship in Barcelona port. Once or twice,

POLICE STATION QUIET

Peace, it's wonderful, Oscar Littlefield was so annoyed when firemen disturbed his slumber to quell a blaze in his cot that he whistled for his dog and tricked the police station, demanding a bed and finished his night's rest there.

The Little Dog Laughed...

SKIPPER is only a puppy, but when he was taken to a wedding at Ramsgate, Kent, recently and was tied up in the church porch and expected to wait outside until the service was over, his doggie soul revolted.

His tail twitched angrily; his little black nose quivered with indignation; and then he lifted up his voice in protest.

Inside the Holy Trinity Church, the rector, the Rev. R. W. Bunsell, paused in the service and asked: "Will the owner of the dog barking outside please bring him into the church so that the service may not be disturbed?"

Bride and bridegroom—Miss Joan Brimley and Mr. R. N. Haslewood—waited while a young woman blushing rose, went outside and returned with the puppy in her arms.

The service was finished without further interruption.

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Daydreaming. ("Gay Imposters") Quick Step.
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Two Sleepy People. ("Thanks For The Memory") S.F.T.
F1331—Ferdinand The Bull. ("Ferdinand The Bull") F.T.
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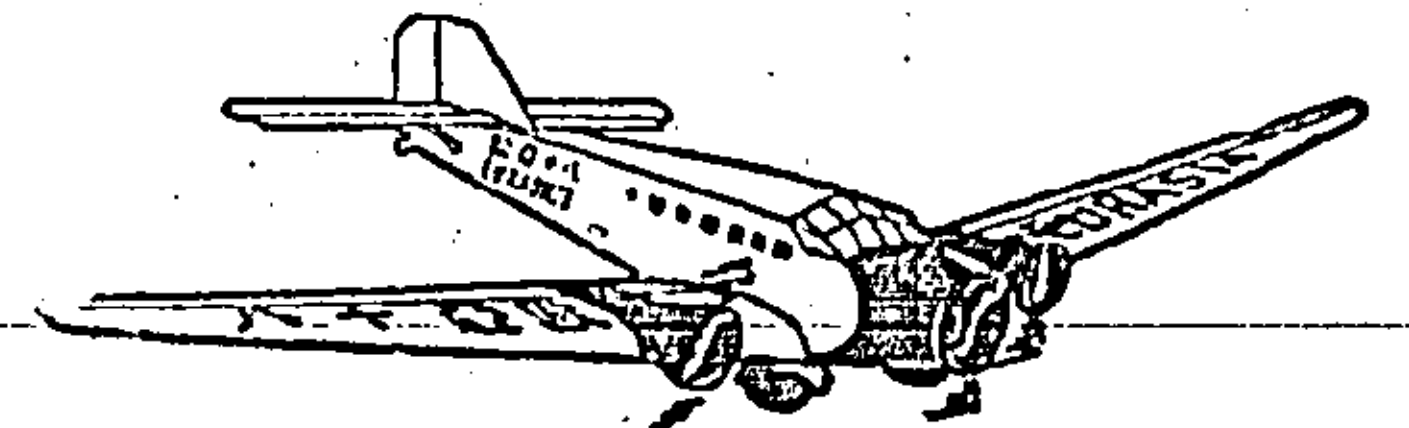
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MAID MEETS HER MILLIONAIRE

MR. Nusli Whaddia, 62-years-old rich Parsee cotton merchant, who left Bombay on January 16, arrived at Victoria Station, London, recently, and was met by Mr. Downs, his legal adviser.

They walked to the Grosvenor Hotel, where Mr. Whaddia said he intended to make a statement about his position and that of Miss Phyllis Britton, who has been staying as a guest at Glyn House, his Epsom home.

"Until then I have nothing to say. I resent all this public intrusion in what is a very personal and private affair," he added.

Mr. Whaddia, who was smartly dressed in a grey "Eden" hat, wore a red carnation in his buttonhole. After waiting for 20 minutes in the lounge he was met by Miss Britton, who had been having her hair dressed.

"AT LAST"

A radiant smile spread over her face as she joined him. She said, "Oh, darling, here you are at last!"

They linked arms and walked quickly out of the hotel together and got into a black saloon car.

As they were driven away towards Epsom they kissed each other.

Mr. Whaddia's English wife, Mrs. Gertrude Whaddia, an actress, said.

"I have no intention of arranging a meeting with my husband. So far as I am concerned, the matter is in the hands of my solicitors."

Dictionary Kept Wife Silent For 20 Years

"To my wife's silence."

"That," said Mr. J. E. Manson recently, "should be the dedication of the French and English dictionary, which I have recently completed after a labour of 20 years."

"From 7.30 to 11.30 every night, she has not been able to speak to me. And if she had, I wouldn't have heard her."

"Believe me, I haven't been to the theatre more than six times in 20 years, and never to the cinema, though I'm a great lover of the drama. But in the last three months, since the book has been finished, I've broken out and spent three or four nights a week in one or the other."

5,000,000 WORDS

Mr. Manson, 68-year-old director of Harrap's, the publishers, held up a massive quarto volume, with 1,500 pages, containing 5,000,000 words.

"If you start to edit a dictionary you will find there is no time for anything else," he said.

"We started 20 years ago. We expected to produce the finished article in five years. We were so green."

"In 15 years we had got the French-English part out. It took another five years to complete the English-French part."

COST £60,000

"Sometimes long correspondence was necessary with French experts. We filled up 300,000 cards, each referring to some interpretation of a word or phrase."

"When I say we, I include my six or seven assistants."

"Their salaries have accounted for most of the £60,000 that the dictionary has cost."

"You can call it my life work if you wish. But I don't feel my life's work is done."

"I've got to keep the dictionary up to date. Phrases are translated into current idiom, not into out-of-date and archaic phraseology."

"But you can be sure my wife and I are setting out to enjoy ourselves now."

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Eurico Pentado, left, financial attache of the Brazilian Embassy in Washington, and leading representative of the Brazilian coffee growers, meets the famed Oscar of the Waldorf-Astoria in New York. Oscar originated several coffee dishes, on that occasion, in honour of the distinguished visitor.

£5,000 Spent to 'Launch' A Debutante

SOCIETY mothers are spending as much as £5,000 on launching their young daughters into the whirl of the London "season."

This was revealed recently by Mrs. Horace Farquharson, silver-haired "social consultant."

From her bureau in Dover-street, Mayfair, she advises on Court etiquette, coming-out balls, and clothes for all the big events of the debs' social season.

School Refused To Sing 'The King'

NEWCASTLE (Staffs). MR. W. Greene, Secretary of a Stoke colliery company, has protested to the British Legion because Brownhills High School, Stoke, refused his daughter Eileen's request for the National Anthem to be sung at the end of the school's Christmas party. Eileen, aged fifteen, is a pupil there.

"Even if it means that my girl becomes marked at school, and I have to take her away, I am going to carry through with this matter," said Mr. Greene. "I am prepared to take my protest to the education committee."

"THAT IS WHY"

"I believe that the monarchical system is the basis of Britain's greatness. That is why I taught my girl to be patriotic. That is why she asked for 'God Save the King' to be sung at the end of the party."

"When she told me she was refused I felt the matter ought to be raised for the sake of other girls, even though it means my child possibly becoming uncomfortable at the school."

Miss A. E. Wilmott, headmistress of Brownhills since it was opened seventeen years ago, said that she remembered the incident.

"Eileen told me her father thought the National Anthem ought to be sung at the end of the party, but she asked me only a few hours before the party."

"I told her it was too late to alter the programme, which had been arranged by the sixth form girls. The party ended with 'Auld Lang Syne'."

"I said that Eileen and the two other girls with her could sing the National Anthem as an item at the party, but they did not."



Gas Masks For 1,000,000 Babies

SIR JOHN ANDERSON, Minister for Civilian Defence, informed M.P.s recently that 40,000,000 gas masks had been issued during the last 12 months to the civilian population at a total cost of £4,000,000.

During the last six months a satisfactory device had been developed for years, and the production of all parts had been commenced except one, which was being pushed forward with all possible speed.

A special type of respirator had also been developed for infants over two years, and the purchase was being arranged. The total number to be made available was 1,100,000.

Sir John stated that the possibilities of constructing underground car parks which would also give some shelter protection had received his very careful consideration. In consultation with the Minister of Transport, he was arranging for immediate expert examination of certain technical problems involved.

HOSPITAL ACTIVITIES

Mr. Elliot, Minister of Health, announced that plans had been made for finding about 200,000 beds in existing hospitals and institutions in the first 24 hours of an emergency by sending patients home and transferring them to other accommodation and by putting additional beds and equipment in the wards.

Another 100,000 could be found later by using an ancillary part of hospitals not at present used as wards.

Local authorities were making good progress in securing the necessary transport for ambulance work. In London, for instance, 1,200 commercial vehicles had already been earmarked, and the work of earmarking a further 800 was proceeding rapidly.

Grew Beard, His Voice Returned

THIRTY-SIX years ago a singer lost his voice completely. He grew a beard. Now, at 70, his tenor voice is stronger than ever.

Recently the singer, Mr. J. W. Leach, of Blackpool, now bearded, sang at the birthday celebration dinner of Blackpool Dickensians.

Mr. Leach started to sing when he was eight. When he was 40 his voice went.

"I had to change my method of breathing and grow a beard," Mr. Leach said. "I persevered and my voice returned—better than ever."

Says 'My Party Was Speck In The Ocean'

A GAMBLING party hostess, known in the West End as "Madame Estelle," recently described the party for which she was fined £60 at Marlborough-street police court as "Just a speck in the ocean of West-End gambling."

"Madame Estelle" has been famous in Mayfair for twenty years for her psychic powers. In private life she is Miss Frances Bergman, aged forty-seven.

The police court story told how police raided her West End flat in the early morning, just a week and found twelve people playing roulette.

On the table were chips worth £97 16s. 6d. The windows were heavily screened with curtains.

Superintendent Cole said: "Miss Bergman has been under our notice for some time. But as the parties are held in different parts of the West End, without previous notice we went to the clients on the day of play, by telephone, it has given us a great deal of trouble to clear the matter up."

That night Miss Bergman, dressed in a turquoise blue nylon evening dress, six jewelled rings on her fingers, a glittering pendant of twelve blue brilliants around her neck and more than a dozen gold and silver bracelets on her right arm, prepared to go to a West End party.

'I LOVE PARTIES'

She said: "All those who ever attended my gambling parties were my personal friends. Gambling is not my business, it was my pleasure."

"I've been a gambler, a horse lover, all my life. I love fun, I love parties, and I like to make people happy."

"The biggest wins or losses at my parties were never more than £100. But I know places in the West End where people win and lose in £1,000 units."

"I wish I knew who told the police of my party. I believe it was either some jealous woman or some one who had played and lost at one of my parties and hoped to escape the debt that way."

"You'd be surprised at the people in the gambling world. There's a diamond merchant's wife who owes me £100. I don't believe her husband knows she gambles."

"You'll never stop people from gambling. A gambler's life is incurable. But I'm no professional."

"For my living I run a riding stable with ten horses in Kensington, and two eighteen-hole putting courses at Falmouth. And now I'm off to a party. I love a good time, horses, people and ... parties."

Retired Men For Shore Jobs

The Admiralty's recent call for volunteers among retired naval officers, particularly those retired when comparatively young under the reduction schemes of 1923 and 1933, has brought a big response from men whose heart was in the sea service and who were bitterly disappointed when their careers were compulsorily ended. Many of them now are in the early forties, and the use that the Navy will make of them will probably be to fill the many important executive positions in the shore establishments and thus release Lieutenant commanders and commanders for active service afloat.

The naval depots, in each of which there is a daily population of 4,000 men under training, require a big executive staff not only for control and administration but for the actual work of teaching.

There are the naval schools, the specialist establishments like the gunnery, signal, and torpedo schools, which require considerable numbers of officers for administration and instructional duty. A certain number of the retired men who come back will get billets in ships, but it will mostly be in the reserve fleet. These vessels will probably be kept in future in a better state of readiness for service than has been possible during the past decade.

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H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

BANKS

H.K. Banks	1,350
H.K. Bank Ltd.	18 1/2
Chartered	8 1/2
Mercantile, A. & B.	27 1/2
Mercantile, C. & E.	13
East Asia	80

INSURANCES

Canlon	225
Union	470
China Underwriter	51 1/2
H.K. Fire	105

SHIPPING

Douglas	60
Steamboats	15
Indo-China, P.	60
Indo-China, S.	24
Shell Bearers	82 1/2
Waterboats	9

DOCKS ETC.

Wharves	118 1/2
Docks	18 1/2
Providents (old)	5 1/2
Providents (new)	5 1/2
New Eng. Sh.	6 1/2
Sh. Docks, Sh.	105

MINING

Kallan	14 1/2
Rabbs	8 1/2
Yen's Goldfield	3
Hongkong Mines	5 1/2
Antamoks	42 1/2
Atoks	30
Bangulo Gold	27
Benguet Cons.	130
Coco Grove	45 1/2
Cor Mines	40 1/2
Demonstrations	15
L.K.L. Ps.	64
Gumaua	17 1/2
San Maurolio	2 1/2
Suyoc Consol	20 1/2
Paracales	75

LANDS

Hoteles	6
Lands	30 1/2
Lands 4% deb.	107 1/2
Shal Lands Sh.	9 1/2
Humphreys	8 1/2
H.K. Realities	4 1/2
Chinese Estates	100

UTILITIES

Trams	10 1/2
Peak Trams (old)	8
Peak Trams (new)	4
Star Ferries	67 1/2
Y. Ferries (old)	25 1/2
Y. Ferries (new)	24
China Lights (old)	8 1/2
China Lights (new)	5 1/2
H.K. Electric	50 1/2
Macao Electric	18 1/2
Sandakan Lights	11 1/2
Telephones (old)	23
Telephones (new)	7 1/2
Traction	22 1/2
Traction (Prof.)	23 1/2

INDUSTRIAL

Cold. Macg. (ord.)	Sh. 14
Cold. Macg. (Pre.)	Sh. 13
Canlon Ice	1 1/2
Comets	14 1/2
H.K. Ropes	4 1/2

STORES, &c.

Dairy Farms	25 1/2
Watsons	1 1/2
Sinceres	1 1/2
Lane Crawford	1 1/2
Wing On (H.K.)	45
Powell, Ltd.	80

COTTON MILLS

Evvo Sh.	10 1/2
Shal Cotton Sh.	10 1/2
Zoong Sh.	24
Wing On Textiles	40

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that Vladimir Dmitrievitch Rumianzoff of 130, Austin Rd., Kowloon, Hong Kong, is applying to the Governor for naturalization, and that any person who knows any reason why naturalization should not be granted should send a written and signed statement of the facts to the Colonial Secretary, Hong Kong.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-FOURTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company (since registration) will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, the 28TH MARCH, 1939, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31ST OCTOBER, 1938.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 18TH MARCH, 1939, to TUESDAY, the 28TH MARCH, 1939, both days inclusive. JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.

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Notice to Shareholders

The Seventieth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Friday, the 24th March, 1939, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1938.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 18th to the 24th March, 1939, both days inclusive.

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THE FIFTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on THURSDAY, 23rd MARCH, 1939, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 13th March, 1939, to THURSDAY, the 23rd March, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary and Manager.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1939.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 12.30 p.m. Saturday, says:

The market was quiet during the short session. The turnover was on a restricted scale at slightly lower prices than those ruling yesterday.

BUYERS
Yamnat Ferries (Old) 225
Canlon 21
Wing On 120
H.K. Govt. 12 1/2
Union Insurance 400
Providents (Old) 55 1/2
H. & S. Hotels 20 1/2
Telephones (Old) 225
Cement 14 1/2
Bates
Hongkong Bank 11 1/2
Union Insurance 470
H.K. Docks 11 1/2
Providents (Old) 55 1/2
Yamnat Ferries (Old) 225
China Lights (Old) 23 1/2
Antamoks Pa. 41 1/2
Bonglo Gold Pa. 26 1/2
Gengent Consol. Pa. 12 1/2
Coco Grove Pa. 45
Canlon Mines Pa. 60 1/2
Demonstrations Pa. 14 1/2
X. & L. Pa. 17
Paracales Pa. 75
San Maurolio Pa. 200
United Paracales Pa. 75

MISC.
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Constructions \$...1.14 n.
Lane Crawford \$...1.14 n.
Vibro Piling \$...1.20 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1025
O.S. Bonds \$...67 1/2 n.
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Berlin Adulation For Returning Fuehrer

BERLIN, Mar. 19.

HERR HITLER arrived here by train at 6.30 p.m. amid tremendous shouting and the blare of trumpets.

He was welcomed on the platform by all the Reich Ministers, headed by Field-Marshal Hermann Goering, State secretaries, regional party leaders, and delegations of the Army and Party.

The station was decorated with swastika flags, and outside the station and along the Fuehrer's route were huge crowds.

Field-Marshal Goering in a speech of welcome declared that Herr Hitler had "restored to Germans, not only their dignity of the past, but also the security of the German Reich."

He added that this was a proud day for the Fuehrer. It was hardly possible to thank him except by the sacred oath in the name of the German nation that they would never give away the great things they had attained.

"COURAGEOUS AND GREAT"
"It is impossible for so heroic a soldier not to be backed by a heroic nation. You have made this people courageous and great. Let this be the oath of all Germans: 'Sieg Heil!'"

All church bells were ordered by the leader of the Evangelical Church to ring from 6.45 to 7 p.m.

Fifty military bands were stationed at intervals along Hitler's route to Unter den Linden, where searchlights formed an arc of light.

Herr Hitler's car proceeded very slowly between the dense cheering crowds to the Chancellery.

The crowd at the Wilhelmstrasse was so enthusiastic that three times it broke the cordon of Black Guards and shouted for Hitler to appear on the balcony of the Chancellery.

Hitler appeared three times amid frenzied cheering, and then it was announced that "important conversations" prevented his reappearance.

Reuter.

"MY FUEHRER"
Field-Marshal Hermann Goering made a speech of adulation to Herr Hitler when the Fuehrer arrived in Berlin after his visit to Czechoslovakia, according to the "Trans-Ocean" translation of the text of the address, which reads as follows:

"My Fuehrer! It was just one year ago that the Reich capital extended to you its first enthusiastic reception."

"A stupendous deed had been accomplished. You, my Fuehrer, had brought your homeland back into the Reich."

"You had sent your troops into your homeland, not as conquerors, but as liberators."

"You, yourself, my Fuehrer, were the first, however, to enter this liberated land with your troops. And as you then returned to your Reich's capital, it was, perhaps, the happiest moment in your life. You had brought your homeland into the German Reich."

"UNDERSTOOD ITS VOICE"
"Only a few months passed before destiny struck again, and you, my Fuehrer, understood its voice."

"For a second time you sent your troops to liberate German territory, and again those troops went as liberators, and again it was you, my Fuehrer, who were the first among them. You returned amidst jubilation to your Reich capital, and that was, perhaps, a proud day for you."

"With only a few months separating us from this event, destiny called and again you, my Fuehrer, understood."

"The decisions on all three of these occasions originated, I know it, my Fuehrer, from a mighty, courageous, and confident heart."

"And now, my Fuehrer, you return again, and have not only brought former German brothers with you, but have also brought security and peace, magnificence and greatness, and the revival of the great German Reich."

"WHIPPED BY ICY WIND"
"That, my Fuehrer, is the proudest moment of your past life. Again, my Fuehrer, you were the first with your troops, and as your standard, whipped by the icy wind, was hoisted over Hradecny Castle, there arose a great security for Germany."

"For the third time, my Fuehrer, we now receive you in the Reich's capital, and it is my privilege to thank you on behalf of the German people. How can we thank you?—It is impossible."

"But instead of thanks, we shall to-day, take the sacred pledge in the name of the entire German nation, which will not be a mere phrase to use."

"We pledge ourselves never to abandon the power, greatness and courage that you have created, come what may. And although that greatness will also inspire envy and ill will, we shall triumph over such things because it is impossible that any other than heroic people should back so heroic a soldier."

"As your leadership is, so is the nation, and you, my Fuehrer, have brought freedom and honour, courage and greatness to this nation, and to maintain these at this hour is the pledge of all Germans."—Trans-Ocean.

DIYOT STILL MISSING
Tientsin, Mar. 20.

Mr. H. F. Diyot, the kidnapped Chairman of the British Chamber of Commerce, has not yet returned.

Meanwhile, British and American consular officials have requested their nationals to evacuate the Japanese-controlled areas.—United Press.

The R.M.S. Empress of Asia arrived at Nagasaki on Saturday at 3.30 p.m. and left at 7 a.m. yesterday.

She is due at Shanghai at 12.30 p.m. to-day, and leaves for Hongkong at 7.30 a.m. to-morrow.

EFFECT OF INVASION ON HONGKONG CZECHS

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kept away from the windows of their houses, and pulled down Czech flags which the German authorities had ordered them to fly.

Members of the Czech Government had been ordered to witness review and took their places beside the German civil and military authorities.

The parade, headed by General von Gablenz, lasted two hours, and comprised infantry, artillery and tanks, while several squadrons of planes flew low over the heads of the crowd.

Only the swastika flag was visible in the centre of the city.—Reuter.

ARRESTS, SUICIDES MOUNT

Prague, Mar. 19.

The number of arrests and suicides here are reported to be increasing daily.

It is said that most of the several thousands arrested are German refugees from Austria and Sudetenland, political figures and journalists.

It is understood that no Jews have been arrested.

The arrests have been carried out by the Czech police on the instructions of the secret police.

The head of the Polish News Agency has been arrested and is now released, despite a demerche by the Polish Ambassador to Berlin.

According to the German News Agency, a bomb was thrown at the house of the German District Leader at Tynau, some 35 miles north-east of Bratislava. Nobody was injured.

It is also stated that another bomb was thrown at a German in the street, who escaped unhurt.—Reuter.

ANGLO-FRENCH- RUSSIAN CONFERENCE FAVoured

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voluntarily agree to its destruction after gaining that freedom.—Reuter.

NO DEMOBILISATION

Paris, Mar. 19.

The French Cabinet meeting began at 6.50 p.m. and ended at 8.45 p.m.

A communiqué issued at its conclusion stated that Mr. Daladier fully outlined the first decree under the Full Powers Bill, which will be submitted to the Council of Ministers at 5 p.m. to-morrow, and immediately put into execution.

It is reported that half of the military class due to be demobilised in April will remain with the colours.

Another report says that it is rumoured that France is calling up military technicians from three classes.

Official confirmation of this story is available, but there is no doubt that a certain number of men are being called up.—Reuter.

FIGHTING CONTINUES

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cupation, and troops are engaged in policing the country.—Reuter Special.

HUNGARIANS CREATE NEW CAPITAL

Budapest, Mar. 19.

M. Andreas Brady, the new Premier of Ruthenia, was received by the Hungarian Premier, Count Teleki to-day.

During the conversation an agreement was reached for Ruthenia to receive far-reaching autonomy.

It was further decided that Munkacs will become the new capital of Ruthenia.—Trans-Ocean.

OFFICIAL ROMÉ VISIT

Rome, Mar. 19.

All the papers here report that M. Teleki and M. Csaky, the Hungarian Premier and Foreign Minister respectively, are paying an official visit to Rome from April 13 to April 15.—Reuter Special.

Barcelona Killing Is Disclosed

Barcelona, Mar. 19.

Barcelona police have discovered in a hiding place, the bodies of 24 doctors and nurses who had been missing.

They had apparently been shot by the Republicans shortly before the capture of Barcelona.—Trans-Ocean.

K.C.C. ACTIVITIES

Mr. E. Giamalli, musician and illusionist, will give a performance next Friday at the Kowloon Cricket Club, commencing at 9.15 p.m.

Admission will be free for members and their friends.

The Kowloon Cricket Club's next dance has been arranged for Saturday, April 1, from 9.30 p.m. to 2.30 a.m. when the Dance Band of the 2nd Bn. The Royal Scots, will be in attendance. Tickets are, ladies \$1.50 and gentlemen \$2, including light refreshments.

EMPIRE NEWS

AUSTRALIA'S CLAIM IN ANTARCTICA

Sydney.

Reports received by the Federal Government state that a considerable percentage of the several hundred thousand square miles in Antarctica, which Mr. Lincoln Ellsworth has just claimed for the United States, forms part of an area vested in the Commonwealth.

So far the United States have taken no steps to support Mr. Ellsworth's claim. The Australian Government does not propose to assert its rights unless the United States take the initiative in claiming the area.

The area in question is on the east of the Antarctic continent. Between Enderby Land and Queen Mary Land, Mr. Ellsworth surveyed the land from the air and dropped a cylinder containing an American flag.

Mr. Lyons, the Federal Prime Minister, announced recently that the Government had purchased Mr. Ellsworth's ship, *Wyatt Earp*, now at Hobart, for future Antarctic research.

Gabinet Adjourns—The Commonwealth Cabinet, which has been sitting at Hobart considering defence questions, adjourned unexpectedly recently. Practically the whole of the agenda was postponed and was later considered at a meeting in Melbourne. The Cabinet regarded the visit to Tasmania as mainly a social one.

NEW ZEALAND GIFT OF SCHOOL TO THE STATE

Auckland.

Mr. A. F. B. Broadhurst has handed over to the State his whole interests in St. Peter's School, Cambridge, Auckland Province. The school was founded by him as a first-class preparatory school for New Zealand boys.

The school will be administered by a board of trustees. Mr. Broadhurst will remain headmaster.

The buildings and 264 acres are valued at more than £100,000.

Wheat Storage—The Auckland Harbour Board has agreed to the request of the New Zealand Wheat Committee to store 11,000 tons of Australian milling wheat as a precaution against a possible emergency.

This represents a six months' supply for the area served by Auckland.

CANADA BREN GUN MOTION IN COMMONS

Ottawa.

Denouncing the Canadian Bren gun contract as "a shameful piece of business," Dr. Manion, leader of the Conservative party in the House of Commons, has moved that the contract be cancelled.

This should be done, he declared in his motion, before the Royal Commission's report on the matter is submitted to the Public Accounts Committee for study, as previously resolved.

Dr. Manion declared that there need be no delay in the manufacture of the guns, and no injustice to the owners of the factory if the Government were to take it over and proceed with the contract.

Mr. Legrand, Minister of Justice, contends that Mr. Manion's motion is out of order.

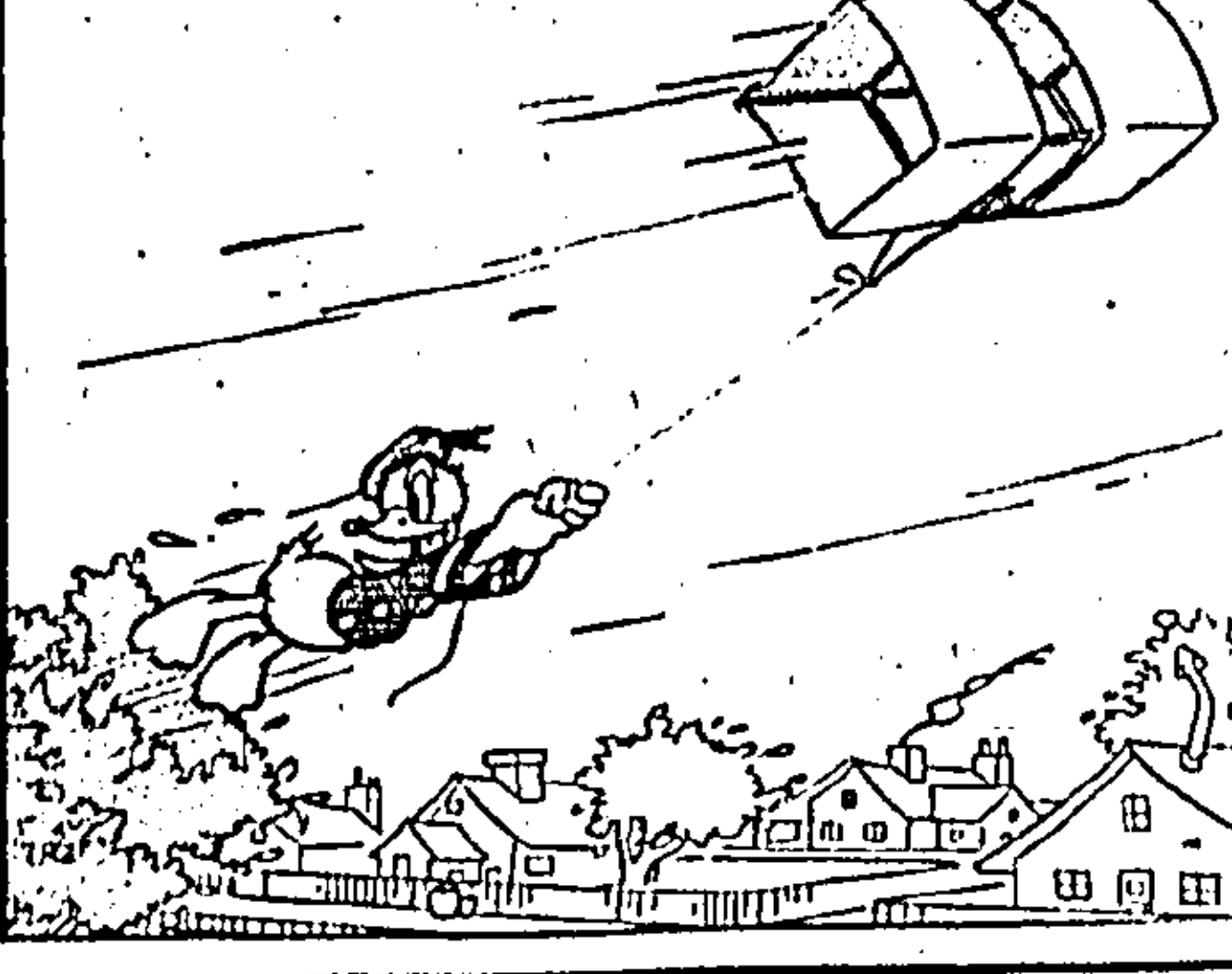
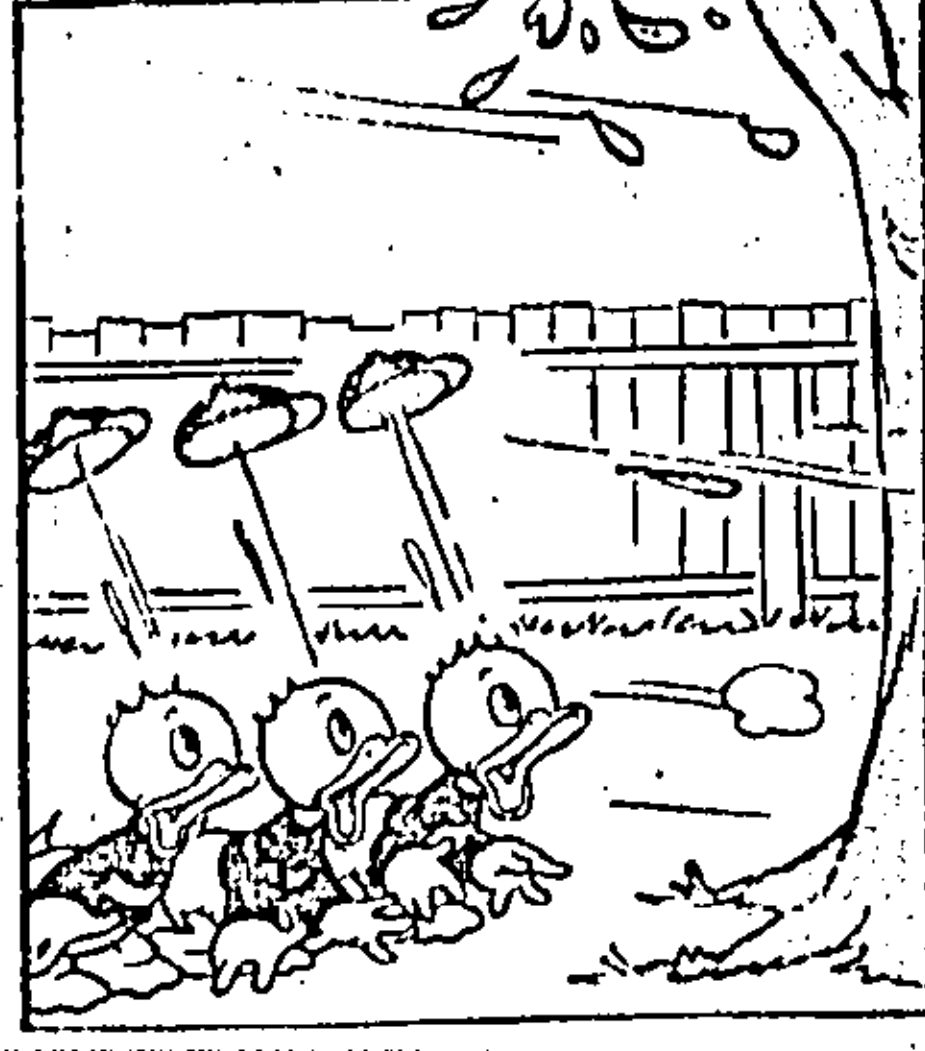
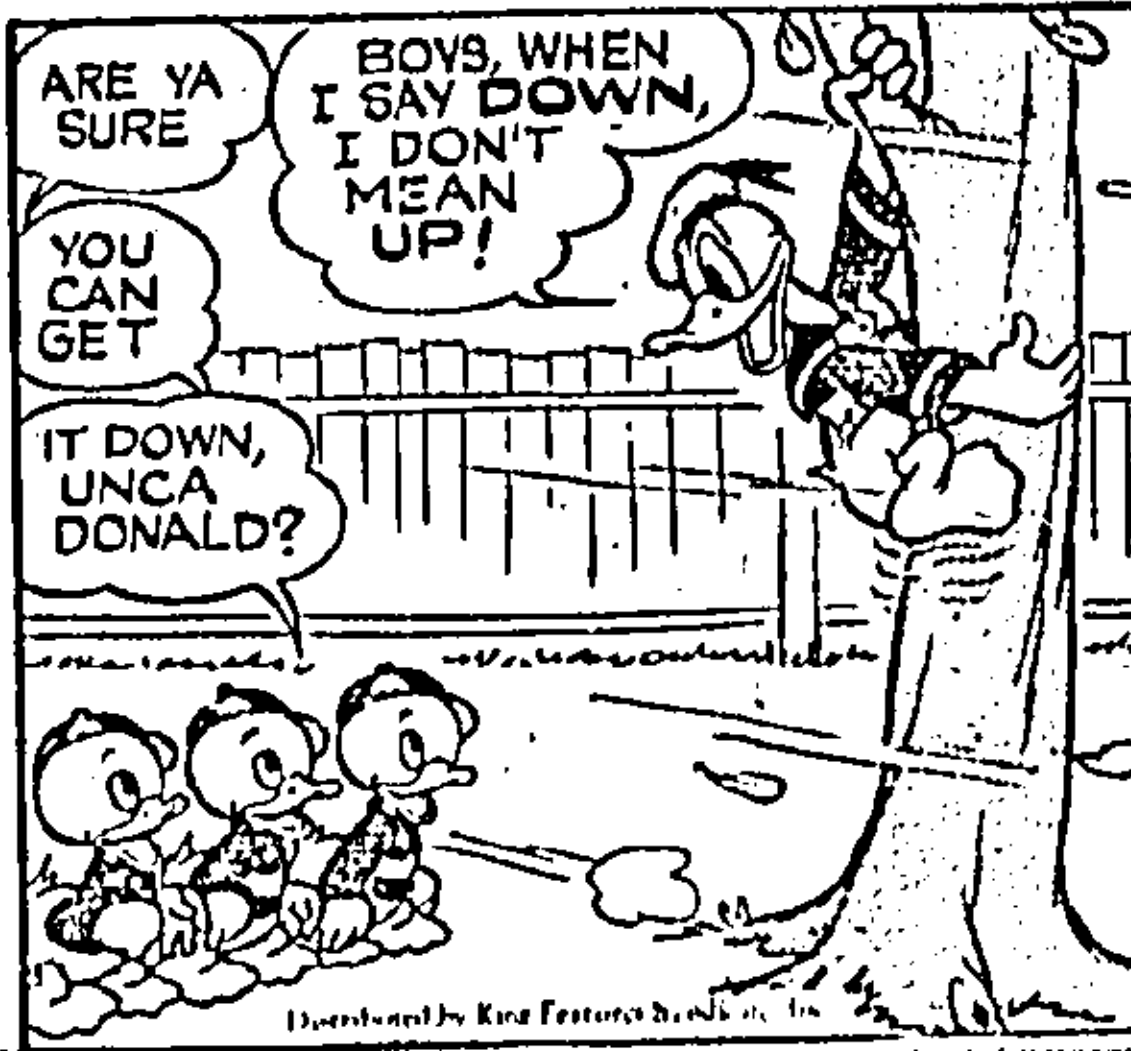
A judicial inquiry found no evidence that any member of the Canadian House of Commons or Senate was admitted to any share in the contract or to any benefits arising from it.

STUDENTS' HUN

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THE CITADEL



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"Does Griffiths know that?"

"He's a lazy, incompetent swine, afraid to ask the Council for a new sewer lest they dock his wages to pay for it."

"Then we must write to the Ministry of Health."

"There's only one way to make them build a new sewer—blow up the old one."

negligible trifle in comparison with his friendship with Christine and Philip Denny, and the trust of his patients. But one day Mrs. Parker confabulated him with a "cancel" cheque which Joo Morgan had given him—aside from paying the bill—of gratitude for saving the lives of his wife and child.


Working against time, with an anesthetic, for the chloroform bottle in his medicine bag had been

laboratory in disorder, the animals used in his experiments missing. Christine, who had proved herself an able assistant in his experiments, said that Ben Chenkin and a number of miners had invaded the lab against her authority, and taken the guinea pigs and white mice away, charging that Andrew tortured

ed Chenkin was the first to recover speech. He called half-heartedly after Owen and drew:
 "Good riddance."
 Owen turned upon him in sudden anger: "Shut your senseless mouth, Ed Chenkin! We have lost the best man we ever had!"
 (To Be Continued.)

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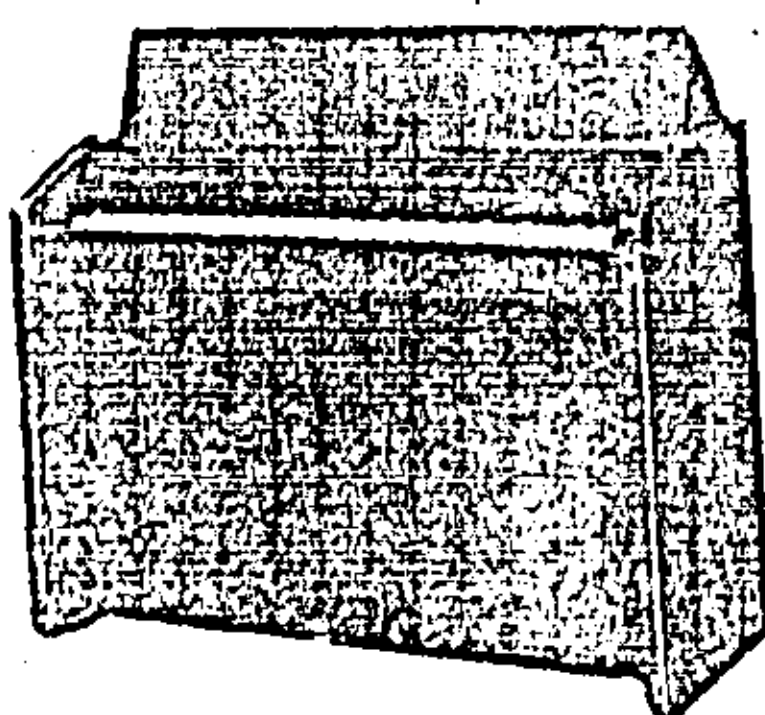
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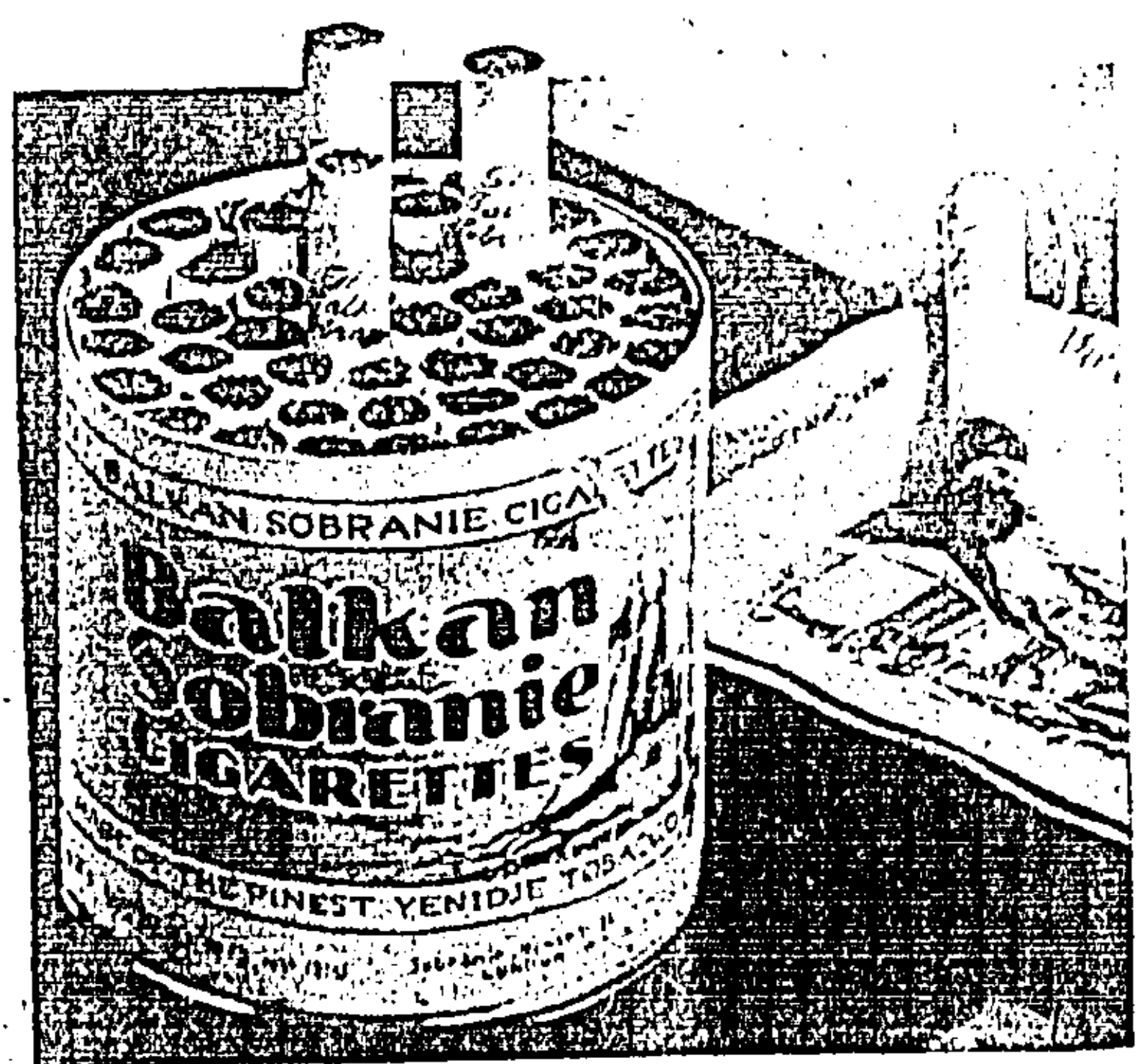
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Peace or War?

IT WOULD BE wholly premature to speculate upon the kind of action that is being weighed by the Democracies as a result of Herr Hitler's latest coup. Although the Press is not yet privy to the course Great Britain, France and United States will decide upon, it does not go far wrong in assuming that events in Europe have begun to move into their real perspective; one that, incidentally, differs greatly from that Mr. Chamberlain gained at Munich. That a genuine effort will be initiated to establish a constructive basis for the future composition of anti-Totalitarian policy may also be taken as a definite assumption. Everyone realises now that if peace is to be forged in Europe it must be not merely peace with honour but peace with justice, which the conscience of the world can accept as such.

While it would be idle and premature to speculate upon future action by Britain, France and the United States, speculation about Germany's future course becomes certainly if "Mein Kampf" is really to be recognised as the German bible.

"We National Socialists stop the eternal drive to the south and west, and throw our eyes on the land to the east," Herr Hitler wrote. "The frontiers of States are fashioned by men and changed by men. The German Reich must, as a State, include all Germans. Only the might of a victorious sword will give us more land."

The drive to the east cannot remain content with present acquisitions. It is certain that Hungary's seizure of Ruthenia does not fit in with Hitler's plans and that the two great prizes now are Rumania and the Ukraine; in the latter case, Ruthenia stands in the way. Rumania Hitler needs for its vast oil deposits, the Ukraine for its thousands of square miles of waving wheat-fields. The acquisition of both will truly make the Greater Reich omnipotent in Europe.

Whatever objective Herr Hitler pursues in future—and few people can believe that aggression will end with the conquest of Czechoslovakia—it cannot now be said that any lingering impression of doubt remains in the German mind that the British Government will not remain inactive. In the past, the conviction that Britain would never intervene in a Central European conflict has been almost an article of faith with many Germans, as it was in 1914 regarding Belgium and France.

Mr. Chamberlain's speech at Birmingham and the almost overwhelming unanimity of opinion of the British Press—which must be regarded as the mouthpiece of the British people—should suffice to change that belief. It would be the most serious of all misunderstandings in the future if the impression remains in Germany that Britain will disinterestedly herself in any further depredations.

The one wish of the British people is for peace. We believe that peace is desired by the mass of German people, certainly by the German people overseas with whom we have spoken. But peace will not be preserved if coercion and assimilation of small nations by a powerful neighbour continues.

The most certain outcome of any further attempt to carry out the tenets of "Mein Kampf" will be war.

"I ASKED HITLER QUESTIONS"



Q. Many people in England are friendly to Germany. The "Chivenden Set" is said to be so. What do you think of English "pro-Germans"?

A. "There exists no English, American or Italian statesman who was ever pro-German. So anybody who thinks he can establish alliances with foreign nations on the 'pro-German' sentiment of their leading statesmen is either an ass or a liar." (p. 698.)

Q. Can there ever be friendship between Germany and England?

A. "The condition for chaining the lot of two peoples together is never based in mutual esteem or sympathy, but in the prospect that it will be of some purpose for the two contracting parties. That means: however much an English politician pursues a pro-German policy and never a pro-German, all the same quite definite interests of this pro-English policy can be identified with pro-German interests for various reasons. Of course this need be the case only to a certain extent and can one day become exactly the opposite." (p. 698.)

Q. If we seek allies in Europe from this point of view only two States remain: England and Italy." (p. 699.)

Q. With what purpose?

A. "Germany's alliance would make it possible to make undisturbed those preparations which... must be made for settling accounts with France." (p. 755.)

Q. But what do you think are the purposes of British policy, then?

A. "The traditional tendency of British diplomacy... since Queen Elizabeth's time runs according to plan: to prevent by every means the rise of any European Power above the level of the general ranks of Powers and, if necessary, to break it by military attack." (p. 691.)

Q. This appears to be the condition for establishing a British world hegemony." (p. 696.)

Q. What do you think Britain's intentions towards Germany are?

A. "England does not want Germany to be a world Power; France wants no country at all which calls itself Germany. A very important difference." (p. 699.)

Q. What methods does Britain use for this end?

A. "No people has prepared its economic conquests with greater brutality by the sword than the English people, and defended them with regard for nobody."

Q. Is it not the characteristic of British political skill to extract economic advantages from its political power and to transform at once every economic strengthening back into political power?" (p. 158.)

Q. Was the great war a mistake for England?

A. "Actually England did not achieve her war object. Not only did she fail to prevent the rise of a European Power (France) above the balance of the Continental State-system of

THIS ARTICLE DEALS WITH HIS ATTITUDE TO BRITAIN. TO-MORROW HE WILL TALK ABOUT ITALY...

Europe, but established it in an enhanced degree." (p. 695.)

Q. What should Germany have done in 1914?

A. "If one wanted territory in Europe this could come about only at the expense of Russia. For such a policy there was only one possible ally in Europe—England. Only together with England could one protect one's back; and begin the new German drive." (p. 154.)

Q. Would that have been right?

A. "The right to do so would have been no less than the right of our forefathers. None of our pacifists refuses to eat the bread of the East, although our first plough was a sword." (p. 154.)

Q. To return to the present. Do you want colonies?

A. "The German people possesses no moral right to take part in colonial activity as long as it cannot even embrace its own sons in a common State."

Q. Our Jewish Press always understood how to concentrate hate, especially on England. Thus many a good German noodle, chattered of the 'refortifying' of German sea power, protested against the robbery of our colonies, demanded their restoration and so helped to deliver the material which the Jewish rascal could then pass on to his racial brother in England for practical propaganda use."

Q. To direct Germany's national force to these ends, without beforehand fully securing our position in Europe, was madness even before the war." (p. 706.)

Q. [Author's note: One asks here, does Hitler consider Germany's position in Europe now secured?]

A. "The right way then (before the war) would have been: strengthening of Continental power by winning new territory in Europe."

Q. Through that very process supplementation through later colonial territories jumped into the realm of the naturally possible.

A. "This policy would of course have been practicable only in alliance with England." (p. 690.)



"I remember how astounded were the faces of my comrades in Flanders when we first came up against 'Tommies'..."

Q. Do you want England's possessions?

A. "England will lose India only if its administrative machinery falls prey to racial decomposition, or if it is conquered by the sword of a mighty enemy. We Germans have learned well enough how hard it is to conquer England. Quite apart from the fact that as a German I prefer always to see India under English mastery than under any other." (p. 757.)

Q. You obtained permission to build up German submarine strength to the level foreseen in the Anglo-German Naval Agreement. Do you mean to start a naval race?

A. "The fact that we have not to fight about sea power to-day should gradually dawn even in the minds of our political simpletons." (p. 706.)

Q. What is your naval policy?

A. "A fleet which from a purely numerical standpoint cannot be brought to the same level as its prospective enemy must try to substitute overwhelming fighting power of individual ships in place of its lack of numbers. The superior fighting power is the important thing, not a mythical superiority in 'quality.'" (p. 299.)

Q. What are your views on voluntary or compulsory national service in England?

A. "What a mistake to think England too cowardly to shed its blood for its economic policy (in 1914)."

Q. "That England had no 'people's army' in no way proved the contrary. For the contemporary military form of the defence forces does not matter so much as the will and determination to use existing forces."

A. "England always possessed the armament it needed. It always fought with the weapon which success demanded. It struck with mercenaries as long as mercenaries were enough."

Q. However, it dipped also deep into the valuable blood of the whole nation when only such a sacrifice could bring victory. "But the determination to fight, and obstinacy combined with single-minded leadership, have always remained the same." (p. 158.)

Q. What do you think of British troops?

A. "I remember how astounded were the faces of my comrades in Flanders when we first came up against 'Tommies.' After a few days' fighting the conviction dawned in everybody's mind that the Scots were not exactly the same as those described for us in comic papers and articles." (p. 159.)

More To-Morrow

Employer And Cook: 2 Divorces

A COUNTRY-HOUSE cook's association with her employer, who also employed her husband as butler, led to the Divorce Court recently.

The butler, Mr. Frank Quinn, now serving in the R.A.F. at Grantham (Lincoln) was granted a decree nisi with £1,250 agreed damages against the co-respondent, Mr. William Edward Lawrence Hodson.

The wife, Mrs. Sylvia Annie Quinn, and the co-respondent did not contest the charge against them.

Mr. and Mrs. Quinn, who have one child, were married at Nottingham in 1935. In July of the following year they went into service at Bradbourne Hall, Bradbourne, Derbyshire, the husband as butler and to Mr. Hodson, and the wife as cook.

The case for Mr. Quinn was that trouble began between his wife and himself after Easter last year, and in May he left. His wife remained at the Hall, and later he heard of her adultery with Mr. Hodson.

ANOTHER DECREE
Sir Boyd Merriman also granted a decree nisi to Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Hodson, of Edgill, Henthfield, Sussex, the wife of Mr. Hodson, because of the husband's adultery with Mrs. Quinn, this suit also being undefended.

The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Hodson took place in 1921, and they lived at Bradbourne Hall and other places. They have two children. Sir Boyd Merriman gave Mrs. Hodson the custody of the children, and awarded costs against her husband in both petitions. He also ordered him to pay the damages into court within 14 days.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"I notice you're a bit crowded—might I suggest a drink that'll put one or two of you under the table?"

OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

Spain

Appeal For Peace Mediation

Madrid, Mar. 18. The National Defence Council Foreign Minister, Senor Besteiro, has appealed to France over the Madrid radio to-night to open negotiations for an honourable peace.—Reuter.

Madrid Offensive

Burgos, Mar. 18. Preparations for a Nationalist offensive on a large scale against Madrid, expected to begin within the next few days, have been made with military precision, in the assumption that the Republican Government still has a strong army at its disposal. All along the front running north of Madrid to Madrid, near Almeria, a large number of picked troops have been massed with up-to-date special equipment.—Trans-Ocean.

Officers Shot

Madrid, Mar. 17. Lieut-Colonel Luis Barcelo and Lieut-Colonel Emilio Bueno, principal leaders of the recent Communist revolt in Madrid, were sentenced to death to-day.—Reuter.

Burgos Demands

Burgos, Mar. 19. "We wish a victorious peace," declared the National Minister of the Interior, Senor Suner, replying to the Madrid wireless appeal. He added that General Franco was open for peace negotiations.—Reuter.

DEL VAYO FOR LONDON

Paris, Mar. 19. The former Spanish Republican Foreign Minister, Senor Alvarez del Vayo, who has been staying in Paris since his flight from Spain left for London last night.—Trans-Ocean.

South Africa

Union Prepares For Trouble

Johannesburg, Mar. 19. Extensive precautions are being taken throughout the Union to guard communications vital to the public services. Whether the activities are connected with the European situation relative to the position of South Africa is so far not clear.

The possibility of local trouble arising from the revelation that a German note to the Union stated that if permission to German immigrants to land is withheld, the Germans will not be responsible for the consequences.

Three squadrons of the South African Air Force have been placed on active service with their bases on Roberts Heights. All Police reserves and Royal Air Force reserves have been called up, and strong guards placed over power, radio and cable stations and petrol and oil storage depots.

Disturbances occurred yesterday among the German workers in Pretoria State steel works which resulted in military forces being drafted from Roberts Heights.—Reuter.

Key Positions Arranged

Johannesburg, Mar. 19. Complete preparedness in every sphere is the aim of the extensive precautions. Leading men in South Africa, especially civilians, have been allotted key positions to ensure maximum efficiency.—Reuter.

Leave Cancelled

Pretoria, Mar. 18. It is learned in official quarters that all police leave has been cancelled for the week-end. Reservists have been ordered to report.

The reason given is the possibility of repercussions arising from the Czechoslovakian situation.—Reuter Bulletin.

General Smuts

Cape Town, Mar. 19. General Smuts will be unable to leave Cape Town owing to the international situation. He is to spend the week-end at a political meeting out of town.—Reuter Bulletin.

African Comment

Johannesburg, Mar. 18. The Cape Times says that the Prime Minister will have the unhesitating support of the British Commonwealth and democracies wherever they may be found.—Reuter Bulletin.

TO ACT FOR MR. KING

Mr. C. G. Perdue, who will also act as Commissioner of Police, has been appointed an Official Member of the Legislative Council during the absence on leave of the Hon. Mr. T. H. King.

Mr. W. R. Scott is to act as Deputy Commissioner of Police.

Spelling Bee

How many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?

gravimann pelometer
grounless scullion
contumplious pellican
English-Oxford Dictionary spellings of these words will be found on page 9.

Grave European News

RUMANIA THREATENED: POWERS DENOUNCE HITLER: NEW TENSION

Germany is indignant at Mr. Chamberlain's attack, and the Press are making the most astounding apology for Hitler's breach of his assurances given to the British Premier. They state that the Czechs entered the German fold willingly.

Hitler is making a triumphal tour in Austria before returning to Berlin. He received the Slovak Ministers, and he may pay Slovakia a visit.

Fighting is going on in Carpatho-Ukraine, where the Ukrainians are making a stand. Ruthenia has appealed to the Powers for help.

A reported ultimatum by Germany to Rumania is denied, but there are good grounds for supposing that one was made. However King Carol has flatly rejected all German demands.

America has received Mr. Chamberlain's indictment of Hitler very well. The United States have taken immediate action against Germany by black-listing all German export products, so that German trade with America will be reduced to practically nil. Taxes of 25 per cent. are to be imposed on German goods in addition to present taxes.

The Soviet has sent Germany a Note in which she states her refusal to accept the Czechoslovakian coup, branding it as illegal.

IMPORTANT DECISIONS BEING CONSIDERED

London, Mar. 18. A special meeting of the Cabinet has been called for this evening to discuss latest developments.

Mr. Chamberlain is returning from Birmingham to attend.

Britain and France have already sent Notes to Germany saying that they are unable to accept military occupation of Czechoslovakia as legitimate action.—Reuter.

Conscription Discussed

London, Mar. 19. When the Cabinet met this morning it was understood that they endorsed a policy of immediate and constant consultation with the Dominions, France, the United States and Russia concerning Germany's eastward advance.

Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Halifax made detailed reports, according to the latest information from British diplomatic sources.

The chiefs of the armed services gave expert views on the strategic factors involved in a possible stand against Germany's expansionist policy, and they discussed the possibility of introducing conscription. No decision was reached on this point.—United Press.

Written Protest

London, Mar. 19. It is reported that the British Cabinet is considering sending a firm written protest to Germany concerning its disregard of the Munich pledge.

However, it is decided to do so it would probably be delayed until after Hitler has spoken, which according to reports from Berlin he will do in reply to Mr. Chamberlain either at Vienna to-day or at Berlin.

Meanwhile the German action denunciation of the United States, Britain, France and possibly Russia to formulate a common anti-totalitarian front.—United Press.

Decision Postponed

London, Mar. 19. Concerning the Cabinet Council held here yesterday, it is stated in informed quarters that a decision on the question of a British guarantee of the Rumanian frontiers has been postponed, and that the Cabinet requested Lord Halifax to ascertain, first of all, whether, and in what measure, the Soviet Union and countries of the Balkan Entente are prepared to come to Rumania's assistance.

It is added that if new factors should not suddenly arise a further Cabinet council will not be held over the week-end.—Trans-Ocean.

FRENCH PREMIER GIVEN FULL POWERS

Paris, Mar. 18. The Chamber of Deputies has approved the Full Powers Bill, official figures of the voting being 321 votes against 204.—Reuter.

Amendment Rejected

Paris, Mar. 18. A Socialist amendment to M. Daladier's Full Powers Bill was introduced by the former minister, Monnet. It was rejected by 313 votes against 202.—Reuter.

Chamber Impressed

Paris, Mar. 19. A snarling Chamber was hushed to silence when M. Daladier announced that the French Government was obliged to demand authority to take imperative secret military and other measures in view of the gravity of the present circumstances.

Although forward of the Government's intentions to demand such power, the gravity of the Premier's tone brought to a timely end the bitter recriminations between Right and Left benches, which disrupted the session.

M. Daladier refused to divulge the nature of the measures he intended to take, pleading that he could not make a public statement concerning France's secret military preparations.

He added that the measures which would transform France into an immense workshop would involve heavy financial outlay.

Those who attended the debate came away with the impression that the Chamber considered Hitler's Czech coup as having broken the back of all efforts to safeguard peace, and that France must immediately take all military and industrial precautions to face the eventuality of war in the near future.

Flashing through the Premier's closely-guarded phraseology there

was the impression that the Premier intended to use his authority to place the nation on a war footing in anticipation of the worst.

The Premier rejected M. Blum's plea for a national unity Cabinet as not feasible at the present time, after which he said, "In reply to certain foreign inquiries, I declare that we will not cede any of our rights or one inch of our territory to threat of force or trickery."

He showed an impatient attitude to debaters who sought to pin responsibilities for the Czech coup which crashed the shaky structure inaugurated by the Munich pact, and indicated that he felt the time should be wasted discussing past events, as the immediate problems were to make France invulnerable against attack.—United Press.

Full Powers Bill Passed

Paris, Mar. 19. The Finance Committee passed the full powers bill this morning with only two dissident votes.

M. Daladier stated that the gravity of the foreign situation justified the powers he requested. "I must be able to take immediately all measures, whether military, economic or financial, which the defence of our frontiers demands," he said.

The Premier let it be understood that should circumstances make it necessary he might ask for prolongation of the validity of the special powers when the time came.

The plenary bill was exceedingly brief. After a preamble it says that the Government is authorised until November 30, 1939 to take by decrees in the Council of Ministers, measures necessary for the defence of the country. The decrees will be submitted to ratification by Parliament before December 31, 1939.

The first decree of laws will be issued on Monday. It is believed that the measures envisaged include, first, increase in the number of military effectives to fill the gaps due to contingents required to guard the Spanish refugees and because of the low birth rate; second, increase in armaments production; third, formation of stocks of raw materials; fourth, priority in private industry for war materials and establishment and financing of new industries; sixth, modification of the law for organisation of the country in war time in order to allow the Government to requisition labour and seventh, increase in the working hours of private industries working for armaments and nationalised factories.—Reuter.

Personal Contacts

London, Mar. 19. British and French statesmen will establish personal contacts early next week to implement Mr. Chamberlain's new "gloves off" attitude to Germany.

M. Bonnet, French Foreign Minister, and probably M. Daladier, French Premier, are accompanying M. and Mme. Lebrun on the four-day state visit to England, and the French statesmen will find Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Halifax in a very different frame of mind to that of last September.

It is reported that Mr. Chamberlain has "hung up his umbrella and shouldered a gun."—United Press.

CHAMBERLAIN CAUSE OF BITTER ATTACKS

Berlin, Mar. 19. British and German relations are strained to the severest tension since the September crisis, as Hitler is prepared to return to Berlin in triumph for the third time in one year.

Mr. Chamberlain's speech is described by political observers here as the bitterest attack against Hitler personally, as well as the most severe indictment of the Nazi regime, that Mr. Chamberlain has ever delivered.

Its first effect is expected to be to call forth very sharp rejoinders from the Nazi Press, which since Munich has generally refrained from personal criticism of either Mr. Chamberlain or M. Daladier.

Furthermore it is expected to postpone indefinitely the impending talks aiming at closer British and German co-operation.

Meanwhile Berlin is preparing for the most spectacular welcome ever accorded to the Fuehrer, of which the high point will probably be a torchlight procession through the Brandenburg Gate along Unter den Linden, down the Wilhelmstrasse, and past the Chancellery, where Hitler will take the salute from a balcony.

It is not yet certain exactly when Hitler will return, but it is understood it will be either to-day or to-morrow.

Proclamation Expected

Before leaving Vienna it is believed that Hitler will issue a proclamation voicing the new status of Slovakia under the Reich's protection, similar to that from Prague on Friday on the incorporation of Bohemia and Moravia.

This is expected to reveal, firstly, that Slovakia is not incorporated within the Greater Reich's territorial boundary; secondly, that the Slovak association with the Reich will be less than that of Bohemia and Moravia, as the fact that the new State has already appointed diplomatic representatives to the various foreign capitals; thirdly, the possibility that a customs union with the Reich will be announced, but not a currency union; and fourthly, Slovakia will probably be allowed to retain armed forces of some sort.—United Press.

Germans Indignant

Berlin, Mar. 18. The criticism in the British and French Press of Germany's action against Czechoslovakia has aroused the indignation of German papers.

According to the *Berliner Zeitung* the nations who were responsible for the stupidity and malignancy of the Versailles dicta should display more restraint if they wish to free themselves from the suspicion of having a very bad conscience.

The *Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung* observes that the attitude of the British press has remained invariably the same for many years past and that its protests against the re-establishment of German sovereignty in the Rhineland and against the seizure of Austria to the Reich were just as loud as those raised to-day in connection with Czechoslovakia.

Paper Complains

The paper complains that whenever Germany has "righted wrong" the Western Powers have protested the name of international law and morality.

The fury of the Press proves, argues the *Allgemeine Zeitung* that Czechoslovakia was merely a pawn in the political game against Germany.

The pawn had now been checkmated but the Czechs had, under the new constitution, the right to develop their own cultural traditions under the protection of the Reich.

Nobody can maintain that Europe lived happily under the regime imposed at Versailles but what remained of the Versailles regime had now disappeared and a new political era had begun for Europe.

The paper concludes with an attack on Mr. Daladier for criticising Hitler in the House of Commons. Whereas Mr. Daladier had done his best to plunge England into war, Europe owed it to Hitler that peace had been saved and rendered secure for the future.—Trans-Ocean.

Protests

Berlin, Mar. 19. It is stated officially that the German Ambassador to London, Dr. von Dierksen, has been recalled for consultation by the German Government, which has flatly rejected the British and French protest.

The German Government official agency says, "In connection with the German initiative to restore tranquillity in Bohemia, the British and French Ambassadors presented protests to the Foreign Office against the alleged illegality of the German step. The two diplomats were informed that the Reich was not in a position to accept protests of this kind, which have no basis politically, juridically or morally."—United Press.

No Recognition

Berlin, Mar. 19. The British Embassy yesterday afternoon received a note to the effect that the German Government has no intention of recognising the annexation of Czechoslovakia.—United Press.

No Moral Basis

Berlin, Mar. 18. It is officially stated that Germany has informed the British and French Ambassadors that their protests have been rejected as "devoid of any political, legal or moral basis."—Reuter.

Ambassador Leaves

London, Mar. 19. The German Ambassador, Dr. Herbert von Dierksen, has left for Berlin.

FIGHTING OCCURS IN RUTHENIA

Sighet, Mar. 18. Some of the most serious fighting which has yet occurred in Ruthenia between Ukrainians and Hungarians, took place in the early hours of to-day in the neighbourhood of Boesaco.

At one time the Ukrainian national guards put up a stiff resistance, and the Hungarians were obliged to send forward reinforcements rapidly from Nagovo.

By 4.30 a.m. the guards were repulsed, and 33 of them crossed the frontier into Rumania, where they were interned.

The families of a number of Ruthenian Ministers left Sighet for Zagreb, where they are meeting Father Volosin. From Zagreb they will travel with Father Volosin to Vienna, where the Ukrainian propaganda bureau, which is the centre of activities in favour of an independent Ukraine, is established.—Reuter.

The Last Stand

Warsaw, Mar. 18. The Ukrainian nationalist organisation, known as "Sic," is now

Town Set on Fire

Nanling, Ahwei, Mar. 19. Shanghai. A town near Tienwangsu, about 30 miles to the southeast of Nanking was invaded by 400 Japanese troops armed with 40 machine-guns and 20 field guns. A large number of civilian houses were gutted by fires started set by the Japanese. Damage was heavy.—Central News.

Mexico

OIL TALKS REACH DEADLOCK

New York, Mar. 18. The New York Times in a despatch from its Mexico City correspondent states that the American-Mexican oil talks have reached a deadlock.

Mr. Richberg, the American negotiator, is returning to Washington but is expected to be back in Mexico City in April.

The Mexican Government and the foreign oil companies' attorneys have submitted briefs, respectively sustaining and attacking the legality of the seizures of American property. The Mexican Court has reserved its decision.—Reuter.

Plan for Settlement

Mexico City, Mar. 19. President Cardenas has announced a plan for settlement of the oil dispute which he said is based on a proposal made by Mr. Richberg. The plan provides for co-operation between the Mexican Government and the companies, the latter contributing the amount of indemnity claimed and any new capital investment. When the valuations of the properties seized has been completed, the percentage of profits distributable would be worked out.

The President declared that the co-operation plan and fixing of percentages would be settled by experts. It is reliably learned that the expropriated interests join issue with the President's statement, insisting that a settlement is only possible if the companies retain the entire management.—Reuter.

making a last stand against the invading Hunarian troops near Jasina and the neighbouring Rumanian frontier.

The Carpatho-Ukraine Premier, Father Voroshin, before he crossed the frontier into Rumania, entrusted Colonel Sergius Etremov with the high command.

Col. Etremov has taken all measures to further the resisting power of the Ukrainians. He is being aided by a number of Czech officers who have put themselves at the nationalists' disposal.

The Hungarians have encountered stiff resistance, and in the eastern part of the country have reached the frontier at only one place Jasina.

They are being aided by units of Polish volunteers drawn from the Polish minority in Carpatho-Ukraine. The Ukrainians have concentrated a force of about 7,000 men in the mountains, where they are making very effective use of the terrain.

Meanwhile, Father Voroshin has reached Koenigsburg, in Rumania, with a large party of supporters.

Sighet Conference

It is again reported that Father Voroshin is on the way to Yugoslavia but may first visit the health resort of Banat.

A conference of refugees from Carpatho-Ukraine is reported to have been held in Sighet.

Rumunians living in parts of Carpatho-Ukraine just over the Rumanian frontier are said to have formed a military defence organisation.

Meanwhile the Rumanian Government is finding it extremely difficult to provide proper accommodation for the large number of Czech army officers and Civil Servants who have crossed the frontier.

The Government wants to get them out of the country as soon as possible, and refugees are being brought to Klausenburg and arrangements are now being made to have them sent back to Bohemia and Slovakia by way of Poland.

Czech soldiers are being collected in internment camps.—Trans-Ocean.

Proposals Rejected

The Rumanian Legation in London, Mar. 19. United Press that Rumania has rejected series of "German proposals" by which Germany would guarantee Rumanian integrity and independence, provided that Rumania would pledge export of its grain, oil, lumber and cattle exclusively to Germany.—United Press.

King Carol's Feats

London, Mar. 19. It is understood that the United States and France have joined Great Britain in refusing to recognise the conquest of Czechoslovakia.

The Evening Standard states that King Carol of Rumania has conveyed to Britain his fear that Rumania is gravely danger from German aggression. He is determined to fight in the event of submitting to any loss of territory.—United Press.

Defences Manned

London, Mar. 18. Messages describing the manning of Rumania's defences are featured in the Press to-night. Despite official denial of mobilisation, the foreign editor of the *Evening Standard* states that orders have been issued at Bucharest for mobilisation of five army corps.

The report adds that King Carol has indicated to the British Government that if Britain, France, and Russia will lend support he can rally

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Poland, Bulgaria, Rumania, Greece, Turkey and Yugoslavia to stand firm with Rumania.—Reuter.

No Mobilisation

Bucharest, Mar. 18. It is officially confirmed that during the past few days to guard Rumania's frontiers, but the measures are described as "normal."

The report adds that no Rumanian soldiers have crossed the frontier and no mobilisation of the army has been ordered.

According to another official statement the trade negotiations being conducted by Herr Wohltat will be finished in two days.

The talks are stated to be in pursuance of the protocol signed between Germany and Rumania on commercial relations between the two countries. It is stated that the aim is an agreement on exchange of certain products.—Reuter.

Press Predictions

London, Mar. 19. Rumania's approach to Britain over the virtual German economic ultimatum presented to her and what may be the sequel, occupy major attention in the Sunday papers whose readers have been given a grim picture of the European crisis.

A report that a new alignment of Powers headed by Britain, France and the Soviet, supported by Poland, Rumania, Greece, Turkey and Yugoslavia, has been proposed, is given prominence.

According to some diplomatic correspondents the proposals were discussed last night at a Cabinet meeting at which no decision was taken pending consultations with the Dominions.

The possibility of a conference of the four major peace Powers, Britain, France, United States and Russia, with a view to adopting a common policy, also appears in many accounts.

No serious attempt has been made to lift the veil enshrouding the immediate intentions of Germany, it being recognised that the secret is closely hidden among Herr Hitler and his close advisers who conferred in Vienna last night, but the public everywhere is reminded that the German army is marching East, its destination "unknown."

CONTINENTAL

ENGLAND XI FINISH POORLY AFTER A GOOD START

Chinese Enter Final Of 'Sunday Herald' Charity Cup Soccer Competition

(By "Abe")

The "Sunday Herald" International Charity Cup match between China and England at Caroline Hill yesterday started full of promise but ended on a farcical note, and a record crowd saw play deteriorate until it became a very mediocre game indeed.

After conceding a goal in the seventh minute, China recovered and finally won by four goals to one. The margin of victory might have been wider had the Chinese forwards gone all out in the second half; but victory being already assured, they were content merely to play around.

The English team started so well that the hopes of their supporters must have been raised very high, but after scoring the first goal, their attacks were checked, and when the Chinese forwards took a hand in the game, there was never any doubt regarding the final issue. The English defenders played well up to the end, but the forwards were extremely rugged in their methods after the first 20 minutes or so, and thereafter they seldom got within shouting distance.

Hartley stopped three red-hot drives from Lee Wai-tong in the first half, and in getting to one of them he injured his left hand. This injury prevented him from appearing at his best, and he let in three more goals, at least one of which he could have stopped normally.

ENGLAND'S FINE START

When the game commenced, there was thrust in the English attack, and with the half-backing up well, the Chinese had some anxious moments. In the first five minutes, England nearly scored, only the timely intervention of Hou Yung-sang saving a goal. The ball had nearly reached the goal-line when the right back ran across to clear.

Nevertheless, the Englishmen deservedly went ahead in the seventh minute when Emberson met a corner-kick taken by Duffield and beat Tam Kwan-kon all ends up.

At this stage of the game, the Englishmen were the better side. The Chinese attempts to get their forwards moving were stemmed by the splendid positioning of the English defenders, who had little difficulty in collecting the Chinese forwards were meant for the Chinese forwards. However, the phase did not last. In a Chinese attack Fung King-cheung found himself unmarked and calmly beat Hartley with a ground shot to the corner. Before this, Lee Wai-tong had sent in several terrific drives which were neatly anticipated by the English goal-keeper.

Then with the scores tied at 1-1, Hartley hurt his hand. First Lee Wai-tong scored to give the Chinese the lead, and then Lai Shiu-wing added the third from close in.

SECOND HALF

Starting the second half with a 3-1 lead, the Chinese were never in danger of losing it. The defence

Record Crowd At Game Yesterday

It is learned that the crowd watching the China v. England International match at Caroline Hill yesterday was a record one for the "Sunday Herald" Cup series.

A total sum of \$3,041 was collected in gate receipts. This beats the previous record of \$2,900 for the match between China and Scotland last year.

had settled down by now, and with Hou Yung-sang giving Lee Tin-sang such good support at right back, the English attacks were easily repulsed. Tam Kwan-kon, in goal, was given little to do.

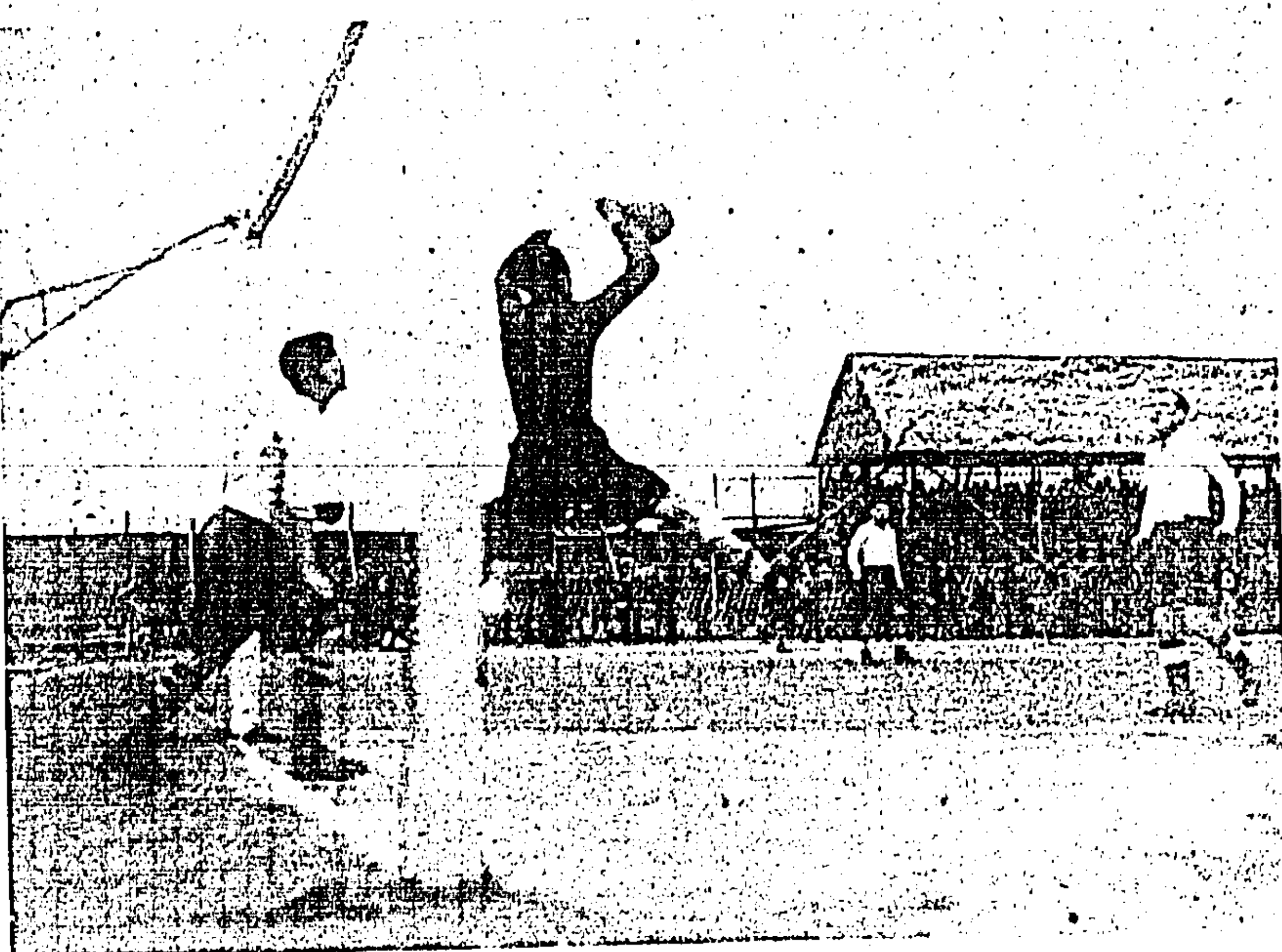
On the other hand, the English backs and halves were kept busy, though, fortunately for him, Hartley did not have as bad a time as he might, had the Chinese forwards been going all out for goals instead of weaving fancy patterns. Only one goal was scored against him in this half, by Lee Wai-tong.

Even before this goal was scored, there was little interest left in the game, and when the final whistle was blown, it came as a relief to everybody.

Credit must be given to the English halves, Freshwater, Bright and Wilkinson, and to the backs, Rides and Parker, for their untiring efforts. Their task was an unenviable one but they stuck to it gamely. Hartley, before his injury, was in rare form, but his forwards, however, fluffed out after the opening minutes.

Teams: England—Hartley, Rides, Parker, Freshwater, Bright, Wilkinson; Emberson, Moss, Chesters, E. Strange and Duffield.

China—Tam Kwan-kon; Hou Yung-sang, Lee Tin-sang; Tsang Chung-wan, Leung Wing-chiu, Hsu King-shing, Leung Kwong-sum, Fung King-cheung, Lee Wai-tong, Lai Shiu-wing and Wong King-cheung.



Though he had already injured his left hand by this time, Hartley, the English goal-keeper, had no difficulty in dealing with this high shot in the international match played at Caroline Hill yesterday against the Chinese. However, Rides, the right back, was not taking any chances and can be seen in the goal ready for any emergency.—Yuen Chun Shu do.

INDIANS UNNECESSARILY CAUTIOUS: SAFE PLAY OVERDONE

NO ENTERPRISE SHOWN IN CRICKET FIXTURE WITH KOWLOON C.C.

Several of the arguments against league cricket which have been raised over and over again in Hongkong, were given forceful emphasis at the K.C.C. on Saturday, when the Indian Recreation Club, with 60 runs on the board for the loss of two wickets, bluntly rejected a grand opportunity to force a win, and satisfied themselves with an abject division of the points.

Some point might have been given to the visitors' tactics had they been interested in the destination of the shield, or had the K.C.C. attack been as good as the Indians tried to make it appear. But the first factor never entered, and the second was only a half-truth. It is true that in the middle of the innings, Anderson, Baxter and Lee bowled consistently, and it is also true that the K.C.C. fielding tightened up considerably. But in neither case could this be claimed as justification for the manner in which the Indians pushed themselves into a shell, and refrained from punishing the worst of long-hops and half-volleys.

Y. el Arculli in the early part of the innings showed that the bowling could be hit, and his 44 out of 62 made with well timed strokes in the middle of the bat was a correct picture of the potency of the K.C.C. bowling. The same enterprise had only to be shown by the later batsmen for the Indians to have won handsomely.

DOG-IN-THE-MANGER

A. H. Madar's 18 in 90 minutes might have ranked as a brilliant achievement under different circumstances. As it was, it deserved to be regarded only as a dog-in-the-manger contribution. He could have doubled his score by using his stumps for everything that was not obviously over pitched. Madar's innings was a splendid example of correct, rigid defence, but as an attempt to win a half-day cricket match, it was lamentable.

This apart, however, K.C.C. might have forced a clear-cut decision if Gittins had not dropped Arculli off a simple catch at mid-on when the Indian had scored about 20; for Arculli stayed for another very important 20 minutes, and helped to increase the score by 37. Arculli's knock was the bright spot of the innings. He made the majority of his runs by use of powerful, and perfectly timed pull-drive, and a sweeping stroke to square leg. He was especially severe on Lee, whom he hit for half a dozen boundaries, and he was finally rather unfortunate to be the victim of a brilliant c. and b. effort by Baxter, who held an express return very low and rolled over, still retaining the ball.

SMART WORK IN FIELD

Another wonderful catch was made by All during the K.C.C. innings, when he held a big drive by Baxter high over his head on the boundary, after making about ten yards for the ball.

A third high-class piece of work was the stunning by Mackay of M. P. Madar off one of Lee's fastest balls. It popped up quickly and Mackay had the balls off while Madar's bat was still in the air. Mackay, in fact, kept splendidly. He did not concede a single extra, and he caught Minu very neatly at

Anderson, stumping the left-hander just to make certain. The K.C.C. innings was very scrappy. The Fincher brothers figured in a fine third-wicket stand, which produced 60 runs, but both lost their wickets after reaching the half-century mark, and thereafter Minu and Madar took very cheap wickets, seven batsmen going in and out for an additional 30 runs.

E. F. Fincher batted beautifully, scoring with some nice, clean cover drives and glorious square cuts, but twice dropped off comparatively easy chances. His knock was down compared with that of his brother, but it was none the less valuable, and he made some effective shots on the leg side.

Minu always had the later batsmen in difficulties, while Madar bowled with fine precision from the other end. The Indians' fielding was hardly up to par, three or four chances being missed, and there was occasional slackness in ground fielding.

There were flashes of first-rate cricket, but the match was ruined by an anti-climax.

Irish Sweep Draw Starts To-Day

Dublin, Mar. 18. To-night the lights are dimmed in the historic Round Room of Dublin Mansion House and a great figure of the Angel of Peace, towering over the drum of fortune, looks down on the silently pacing figures of armed guards keeping watch and ward under the vigilant eyes of Government-appointed auditors on the millions of counters which await the Irish Hospitals Sweepstakes draw on the Grand National race.

To-day witnessed the third mixing of the counterfoils and until the last minute thousands of people, including a great many from Great Britain, circled through the Round Room to witness the brilliant spectacle of 200 pretty Irish girls in medieval costumes tending the pneumatic mixing machines in a blaze of artificial sunlight.

When the actual draw commences on Monday, the horses will first be dealt with, and the holders of lucky tickets the world over will be promptly notified by cable of their success.

Everybody who draws a horse, even if it is not in the first three or is a non-runner, will be assured of a prize of £530. Drawers of the winning horse will receive £20,000, and drawers of the second horse £15,000.

CIVIL SERVANTS REVEAL SPLENDID FORM OF DEFEAT INDIAN SECONDS

With such a fine bowler as C. W. Haynes and the well-balanced batting strength they revealed against the Indians at Sockimpoo, it is difficult to understand how the Civil Service seconds had not won a game in the Junior Cricket League until Saturday. True it is that the Indians were not at full strength, but this did not in the least detract from the merits of the Civil Servants' victory; for in almost every respect they were the better side.

As long as they have Haynes, Buckle and Warr bowling for them, the Civil Servants should not concede many runs if the fielding does not let the team down. The Indians discovered this to their cost on Saturday when the earlier batsmen, with the exception of M. I. Razack, who batted confidently for his 20, found it not only almost impossible to score but also difficult to keep their wickets intact against the bowling of Haynes, Warr and Buckle. Seven wickets were down for 48 runs when T. Ali and Y. T. Barna became associated in a partnership which took the score to 100 before Ali was dismissed after scoring a hit 25. Both Barna and M. Hassan played invaluable innings of 10 and 14 respectively, which enabled the Indians to reach 121.

Haynes, who bowled unchanged, returned the excellent figures of 10 0 23 0.

These figures are sufficient proof of his sustained accuracy. A fast leg-break had the Indians in continuous difficulty and he cleaned bowled five batsmen during the afternoon.

TWO GOOD PARTNERSHIPS

In the batting line, the Civil Servants had young G. Ainslie to thank. Starting very slowly, he gathered confidence as his innings progressed and finally batted very well indeed, principally responsible for winning the game for his side. Three wickets had been lost for only 31 runs when he and W. A. Wright got together and they took the total to 77 before the latter left after making a hard-hitting 25. Later after four quick wickets had fallen, Ainslie was associated with D. Wright in another stand which hit off the remaining runs needed for victory.

The bowling of the Indians never rose above mediocrity. The fielding was quite good, however, and two very good catches were held.

Von Cramm Returns To Tennis World

Cairo, Mar. 19. Gottfried von Cramm, the former German Davis Cup player, after a year's absence returned to tournament tennis here. Playing for an international team on Saturday, he beat the Egyptian, Nasser, by 6-0, 6-1.

To-day he was beaten by the young American, Donald McNeil, 6-3, 3-6, 7-5.

America won the tournament—Reuter.

and drawers of the third horse £10,000.

On the second day of the draw, handsome residual prizes, together with a great many prizes of £100 each, will be drawn.—International Press Bureau.

SEVERE TEST FOR LADIES' HOCKEY INTERPORT TEAM

REST PLAYERS PUT UP SPLENDID RESISTANCE

(By "The Pilgrim")

The Probable Colony Ladies' Interport Hockey XI received a severe test at King's Park yesterday morning when they faced a Rest team, and after an interesting game won by three goals to one.

If one could nominate the one lady in this game who showed herself a great individualist, it was Mrs. Dalziel, the Colony inside left. She not only showed speed in her play, but also proved that she is a marksmen of a high degree.

The Colony players had plenty of the ball in the first half and kept the Rest busy defending. Mrs. Read found the net after 20 minutes play, after Miss J. Hall had made a weak clearance. No further goals had been scored when half-time was called.

There was only one change made on resumption. Mrs. Wilmot, from the Rest team, changed places with Miss A. Fowler at left back. Facing a stern defence in Miss Gray and Miss A. Fowler, the Colony attack, however, got into their proper stride and further goals were added by Mrs. Dalziel, off a nice centre by Mrs. Burnett, and by Mrs. Read, off a short corner hit. Mrs. White, playing at centre-forward for the Rest, reduced the deficit in a splendid individual effort.

STEADY DEFENDERS

Taking the Interports first, Mrs. Lamson in goal never faltered and I could not blame her for the goal which escaped her vigilance. Miss G. White was quite steady at right back, but she seemed to weaken a little in the last half. Miss A. Fowler, her partner, faced very hard over-hitting to the disadvantage of her own side. The halves, Mrs. Stone, Miss I. Woolley and Miss H. Reid, kept a close watch on the opposing attack and were rarely at

fault. Mrs. Store was really good and Miss Woolley was energetic. Miss Barker and Mrs. Burnett got over on the right wing, the latter revealing dash and speed. Mrs. Read, in the centre, took and gave her passes extremely well and, on the whole, gave a greatly-improved display.

Mrs. Dalziel, at inside left, was the combined well with her wing, packed with the ball in a most unskillful way and also worked with a ready will. Miss Westcott, on the left wing, had pace when she got away and centred frequently, with accuracy.

THE REST TEAM

Of the Rest attack, Mrs. White, at inside left, was always neat in her passing schemes but she is now not as fast as of yore. Miss J. Ewing, on the right wing, did good work, maintaining her shine until the finish. Miss Greig, as leader, was good in patches but rather neglected her wings. Little Miss D. Greaves, at left half, was the best of the intermediaries; she marked well and fought many grand duels with Miss Barker and Mrs. Burnett.

Mrs. Wilmot did useful work and Miss Gray did much that was good, but she seems to be finding her loss of speed a bit of a drawback. It was a fast game, but one could not call it a particularly contrived one, though the Rest did exhibit their first combination as a team.

I believe the Interports are having two more games before their departure for Shanghai. They need these badly, although they are shaping much better now as a team.

Straits Chinese Due In Hongkong Soon On Soccer Visit

The Straits Chinese footballers will visit Hongkong shortly. They are now in Manila for a series of matches, and when those are concluded they will proceed to the Colony.

The forthcoming visit has aroused tremendous enthusiasm in Chinese soccer circles in Hongkong. Matches have been arranged between the visitors and the South China A.A.

The following pen-pictures of the visiting team should be of interest:

Straits Chinese Win Opening Match

Manila Mar. 19.

The Straits Chinese soccer team won their opening match in Manila to-day, beating the University of Santo Tomas by three goals to one.

In the first-half, the Chinese led by two goals to nil, and in the second, each side scored once.—United Press.

(After their tour of the Philippines, the Straits Chinese will come to Hongkong for a series of matches.)

Flashes From World Sport

Running is one of Henry Armstrong's success secrets. When "discovered," Henry was training for Piles Bunyon Derby, marathon race between Los Angeles, New York. That's 2,800 miles!

They're wisecracking over "Two-ton" Tony Galore, portly prospect for Joe Louis's punch. He's so fat, say sportsmen, his opponents run round him a few times to complete their round-work!

Pigeon fanciers will be interested in the new U.S.A. race. Next September 15,000 pigeons will start in Charlottesville, fly 300 miles for \$100 prize, arrive at New York World Fair.

N.S.W. athletes competing in gruelling three-mile walk under blazing sun won sympathy of track officials, who tried to lighten athletes' task by playing "Lambeth Walk" over amplifying system. "It didn't make journey any shorter," commented beet-red competitors.

Action of punter holding only tote ticket on winning horse at Victoria Park, Australia, nearly had tote staff swooning. His ticket won \$26. At pay out window he distributed goodly portion round tote workers, who say it's first time winning punter has ever made gift.

Peter Kane (Golborne), holder of the world heavyweight boxing title, is to meet Paddy Ryan (Manchester) for the British championship, and the Board of Control have given promoters and boxers up to March 31 to arrange the title fight. Ryan recently beat Ted Whalley (Hanley) in this final eliminating bout for the world title when he beat Jackie Jurich, the American, at Liverpool, last September.

Twelve men applied for the post

of clerk in the tiny Dutch village of Heer.

"Here is a list of the great men," said the burgomaster. "Tell me why each is famous."

Only one of the ten was known to all the applicants—Eddie Hopper, Arsenal and England footballer.

"World's most famous full-back," said the twelve, unanimously.

No other personality gained such complete recognition.

Even Russian composer Tchaikovsky could not rival Taggoud's fame—an applicant described him as a Roman Catholic priest governing Jugoslavia!

Soccer

Irishmen Draw With Hungarians

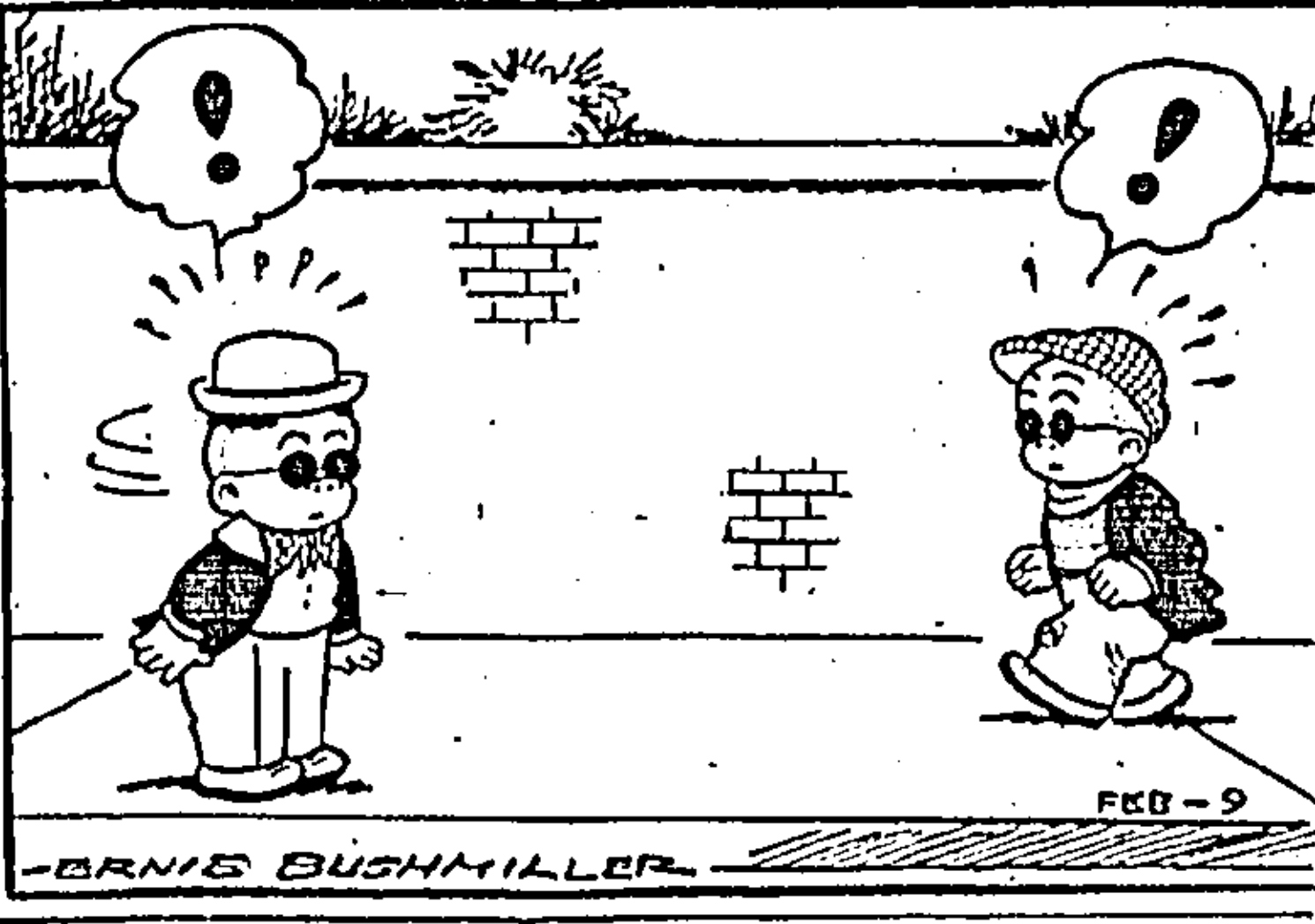
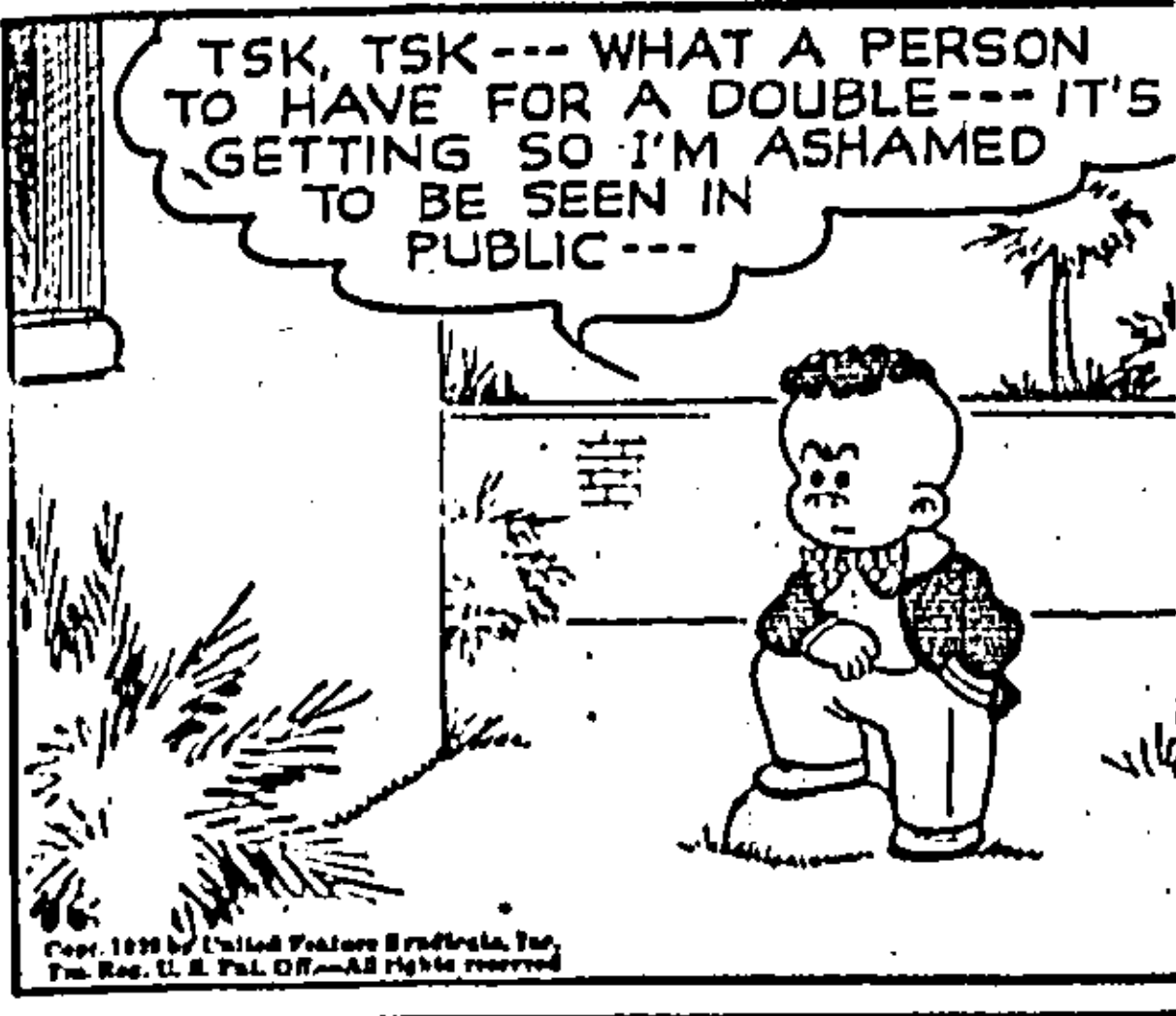
Cork, Mar. 19. The International soccer match between Eric and Hungary, played here to-day, ended in a draw of two goals each.

A crowd of 20,000 saw the previously unimpressive Irish forwards attack fiercely and equalise in the last minute. The Irish defence was strong, Turner, at centre-half, being outstanding.

The Hungarians' positional play was superior but the Irishmen were faster.

Bradshaw, the Irish centre-forward, scored, but Zeengeller replied. The second half was even, the Hungarians taking the lead through Kollich, and Carey, the Irish inside-left, scoring the equaliser.—Reuter.

NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

Drastic Revision Of Rugby Laws Needed

UNION PRESIDENT'S COMMENT FINDS READY SUPPORTERS

London, Mar. 17.—Do the Rugby laws need revision? Speaking at the Surrey County jubilee dinner Major-Gen. B. A. Hill, President of the Rugby Union, made a comment that will find sympathetic support in many quarters.

It was to the effect that in his opinion the laws should be drastically overhauled. The overhauling, he added, should be carried out in consultation with both players and referees, a constructive and wise criticism with which players and referees will certainly agree.

That not a great number of players could pass an examination on the rules, which are manifold and complicated, does not matter a great deal.

What does matter is the growing restlessness among players and those who are actively connected with clubs for which they turned out and are still helping to run, writes Peter Lawless.

"The old cry that the game is for the player," said a club official the other day, "never had less significance than it has to-day, when an autocratic government rules a democratic game."

Certainly had players and referees been consulted the present hooking rule would never have come into force, with the but going in "not must" speed so that it just touches the ground beyond one foot of the nearest player in each front row.

Not only do the rules come in for adverse criticism, but the constitution of the Union itself is far from being universally approved. It is felt that too many of those in authority have outlived their period of usefulness; they are not only out of touch with the players, but out of sympathy, and by remaining in office they are blocking the way for younger men.

RETIRING PRESIDENTS

A frequently quoted example is that Presidents on retirement automatically hold office on the committee, on which they remain until death. In the case of the International Board, too, a member once elected can remain in office for his lifetime.

No one however hot-headed a revolutionary he may be, really wishes to see men who have done great service for the game conspired to sever their connections with it. But this could well be avoided by the adoption of the rule obtaining on the Scottish Union, where the retiring president retains a seat on the committee but has no power to vote.

Among the causes of dissatisfaction is the secrecy which veils so many of the activities of the Union. Officials and players feel that they are kept too much in ignorance of what is being discussed and considered.

One point on which the bulk of players would like information is how our relations with France stand at the present time. The break with our Allies occurred away back in 1931, since when the French authorities have made frequent attempts to heal the breach, but little has been made public by the Union.

HISTORY OF THE BREAK

The history of the break and the statement issued by a committee of representatives from each of the four home-unions is worth recalling. In March, 1931, following the French Federation, the following statement was issued:

"After examination of the documentary evidence furnished by the French Federation and the dissentient clubs, we are compelled to state that, owing to the unsatisfactory condition of the game of Rugby Football in France, neither our Union, nor the clubs or unions under its jurisdiction, will be able to arrange or fulfil fixtures with France or French clubs at home or away after the end of this season unless and until we are satisfied that the control and conduct of the game has been placed on a satisfactory basis in all essentials."

The question that many players and club authorities are now asking is, what steps have the Rugby Union taken to find out whether the game in France has or has not been placed on a satisfactory basis in all essentials?

Scrummage Laws May Be Altered

Edinburgh, Mar. 19.—At a meeting held here today, the International Rugby Board discussed the scrummage laws, and decided to form a sub-committee to bring forward the recommendations on this matter to the Board's next meeting on the eve of the Calcutta Cup match at Twickenham next year.

Four Home Unions considered a letter from the French Federation on the resumption of Anglo-French Rugby matches. The nature of the Unions' reply is not known.

Calcutta Cup ENGLAND BEATS SCOTLAND

London, Mar. 19.—A crowd of 70,000 went to Murrayfield to see the Calcutta Cup match between England and Scotland, which was won by the former by nine points to six.

The pitch was very soft and cut up following rain mid-way through the first half. The teams were unhandicapped except that Murdoch, of Hillhead High School, replaced K. C. Fyfe, who was ill, in the Scottish side.

Scotland kicked off and was prominent in several early attacks. After that England settled down and the three-quarters handled the ball confidently. Scotland was getting the ball from the line-outs, but England was better in the scrums.

Fine work in the loose troubled the Scottish defence, but in spite of that Murdoch scored a grand try in the thirtieth minute. Crawford's attempt to convert was disallowed, and apparently he touched the ball.

England heeled from the scrum and after another scrum, Shaw scored an unconverted try. Three minutes later, Heaton went over for a penalty goal, from 35 yards and in the 35th minute he equalised the scores for England with another penalty goal.

England attacked on the resumption, and Scotland was forced on the defensive. Roberts was magnificent, repeatedly saving the situation. England was definitely on the ascendancy but Scotland stood up to the intensified attacks in a spirited manner.

England went ahead, when Heaton scored his third penalty goal, following a scrum infringement. Shaw then went to stand-off half in an effort to revive the Scottish hopes, but Scotland saw little of the ball. There was no further scoring.

As a result of their victory, England regained the Calcutta Cup. They are sharing the International championship with Ireland and Wales, each having four points.—Reuter.

OUR SPELLING BEE (see page 7) gravamen—groundsel—contemptuous—pedometer—scullion—pellucid.



Robert Donat and Rosalind Russell in "The Citadel," adapted from Dr. A. J. Cronin's famous book of that name. The picture will shortly be shown in local theatres.

Samuel In Last Four In English Championships

London, Mar. 19.—A. S. Samuel, Malayan badminton player, has reached the semi-finals of the All-England championships and will meet Madsen, of Denmark, to-day. Madsen beat Samuel in the final of the Welsh championships and is a hot favourite for the All-England title.

Should Samuel succeed against him to-day he seems almost certain to win the championship. Few critics favour the Malayan but most of them concede that he is capable of beating the best players in the world on his day.

Samuel's progress up to the present has been: beat Mason 15-0, 15-5; beat Wingfield 15-3, 15-7; beat Baldwin 12-15, 18-16; 15-13.

Schmidt, of Denmark, beat M. P. Young, of Malacca, in the first round 9-15, 15-11, 15-5.

(Madsen won the title eventually, beating Samuel in the semi-finals and Ralph Nichols, holder, in the final.)

Straits Chinese Coming To H.K.

(Continued from Page 8.)

presented the Chinese and Singapore teams. Played for Singapore in Malaya Cup games in 1934, and dropped out for some time. Suddenly regained his real form in a friendly State match in 1937 and has never looked back since. Malaya Cup Representative 1934, 1937, and 1938.

Ha Tee-siang—Inner right. Age 21. With James Goh as his partner he gained State honours in 1939 and with luck from injuries should hold this position for some time to come. A rather tricky player, with good ball control, and kicks when least expected. Malaya Cup Rep. 1938.

China Keng-chong—Centre forward. Age 20. Has been a first class player since 1931. Played very little soccer last year and is now making another come-back. Toured Manila with South China A.A. in 1931. Considered still one of the best centre-forwards in Malaya. Can kick with terrific force either leg. Malaya Cup Rep. 1933, 1934, 1935 and 1937.

Yuen Quon-chong—Inner left. Age 28. Has been a regular member of the side since 1931. Can control the ball and has a fine body swerve. Malaya Cup Rep. 1938.

Loong Leek-boo—Inner right or left. Has been a regular member for Selangor Chinese from 1931-1934. Went to Canton to further studies. Football Captain of Sun Yat Sun University (Canton) 1935-1937. Malaya Cup Rep. (Selongor) 1934 and 1938. Good ball control and kicks well with both legs.

Lee Hal-choy—Inner right. Age 27. Reserve forward but still can show some of his old-time fine ball control. Represented Singapore in friendly games some years ago.

Ho Kok-choy—Inner forward. Age 19. A coming footballer, has a good kick with either leg. Fast and very keen. Can play left-wing. Kwun Sooi-ack—Left wing. Age 26. Formerly a good inside left for Selangor State XI until 1938 (from 1933) when he was selected for

Tennis CHAMPIONS PLAYING TO-DAY

Four matches in the doubles and two in the singles are down for decision this afternoon in the Colony Tennis Championships at the Hong-kong Cricket Club.

Chief attractions will be the doubles ties, all of which should prove interesting. The Tsui brothers, holders of the title, will meet Omar Rumjahn and S. A. Hussain, who have been playing particularly well of late, and though it is more than likely that the champions will win.

Two Of To-Day's Ties Postponed

Owing to the fact that S. A. Hussain has sprained an ankle, the doubles match arranged for to-day between the Tsui brothers (holders) and Hussain and O. Rumjahn has been postponed for a week.

The Club mixed doubles tie is also postponed.

they may have to play good tennis in order to do so.

Another fine match should be that in which A. V. Gosano and J. J. Remedios, of the Club de Recreo, play W. C. Hung and E. C. Fletcher, of the Kowloon C.C.

The full programme to-day is as follows:

Open Singles.—Peter U. v. Lt. J. S. Theobald; Wei Chung v. S. W. Liang.

Open Doubles.—I. M. A. Razack and A. R. Minu v. Tsoi Ping-fan and Ng Kam-chuen; Lee Yue-wing and Ho Ka-lau v. Lt. J. M. Tomlinson and L. J. C. Loch; A. V. Gosano and E. C. Fletcher v. W. C. Hung and E. C. Fletcher; Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yuen-pui v. O. Rumjahn and S. A. Hussain.

Club Handicap.—C. W. E. Bishop v. F. A. Joseph.

Club Mixed Doubles.—Mr. and Mrs. E. J. R. Mitchell v. T. J. Gould and Mrs. Whyte-Smith.

INTER-CLUB TENNIS

In an inter-club tennis match played yesterday, the Kowloon Bowling Green Club defeated the Kowloon Dock Recreation Club by 80 games to 50.

WEEK-END FOOTBALL RESULTS

Sunday Herald Charity Cup (Semi-final)			
China	4	England	1
First Division			
R. Navy	0	Eastern	1
Middlesex	3	St. Joseph's	0
Police	4	S. China "A"	3
S. China "B"	3	Kowloon	0
Second Division			
Engineers	0	Middlesex	1
Kowloon	2	5th Bde.	5
Kwong Wah	3	Club	1
S. China	4	Police	1
Third Division "A"			
30th Bty.	2	Kit Chee	1

LEAGUE TABLE

First Division									
P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.			
Navy	10	13	3	3	59	24	20		
S. China "A"	17	13	9	4	61	10	26		
Eastern	18	11	3	4	45	30	25		
Middlesex	19	9	3	7	42	34	21		
S. China "B"	19	8	3	8	36	33	19		
Kwong Wah	20	6	0	8	34	44	18		
Kowloon	17	7	3	7	22	25	17		
Police	19	8	0	11	44	55	16		
R. Scots	17	4	7	13	32	15	0		
Club	21	0	1	14	32	05	0		
St. Joseph's	18	2	3	13	29	50	7		
Second Division									
P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.			
Middlesex	22	18	1	3	62	30	37		
5th Bde.	21	18	3	2	61	22	35		
S. China	20	18	2	2	63	23	34		
R. Scots	21	16	4	1	55	19	33		
Kwong Wah	20	12	0	8	58	54	24		
R. Engineers	21	11	0	10	54	48	22		
R.A.O.C.	21	9	2	10	53	61	20		
Kowloon	22	7	0	15	36	58	14		
Police	22	6	2	14	27	75	14		
St. Joseph's	22	6	1	15	33	29	13		
Eastern	21	6	5	10	71	7	5		
Club	21	1	1	19	15	78	3		

RECORD BROKEN AT UNIVERSITY ATHLETIC MEET

Oxford beat Cambridge by 70 points to 41 in the annual Inter-Varsity athletic contest, which was decided over 13 events.

J. N. Irwin, of Oxford, won the 220 yards low hurdles in the Inter-Varsity record time of 24.5 seconds; while T. L. Lockton, also of Oxford, equalled the Inter-Varsity record of 14.9 seconds in winning the 120 yards hurdles.—Reuter.

TRIPARTITE MEET

Japan, Manchukuo and Chinese Athletes to Compete

Tokyo, Mar. 18.—Supported by the Japan Athletic Association and the Manchukuo Athletic Federation, a tripartite athletic meet will be held in Manchukuo this fall between Japanese, Manchukuo and Chinese athletes. It was announced here to-day. Detailed arrangements are in progress between the authorities of the three countries concerned.—Domet.

Recreio Team Beat Chinese In Play-Off

The following were the results of the softball matches played yesterday:

Men's League Play-off.—Recreio 3, Chinese Baseball Club 1.

Women's League.—Canadian Chinese 14, Filipino 10; Wildcat 25, Panthers 13.

International Series.—Philippines 7, Great Britain 4; India 3, Portugal 1.

Inter-Hong League.—Socony 15, National City Bank 8; Texaco 24, R.A.F. 12; Dutch Bank 27, American Express 3.

BOAT RACE TRIAL

London, Mar. 19.—In a trial over the full course from Putney to Mortlake, the Cambridge boat race crew returned the time of 19 mins. 50 secs.—Reuter.

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RIDING SCHOOL SPORTS OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

Although weather conditions were far from ideal, competitors at the Hongkong Riding School's annual sports gave excellent exhibitions of the art at the School grounds at Tai Hang Road yesterday.

Some excitement was caused when Mr. R. Brooks was thrown off his pony in the jumping competition, but he was unharmed as he managed to cling on to the reins and pull himself up after being unseated. There were one or two other minor incidents, but the events were carried on quite smoothly with no untoward happenings.

For the third year in succession, Frankie Langley annexed the Harriman Challenge Cup after a hard tussle with Veronica Walker. Miss Mary Steele-Perkins rode very well in the Advanced Children's Competition to win. Master G. Leckie put up a very good display to secure second prize.

Miss Nancy Kerrison won the Adult Learners' Competition with ease, to beat Ronnie Brooks who ran second. Mr. Luke Wingay was third. Miss Marion Fleming had to ride well to beat Claudine Hickman in the Advanced Children's Competition, Class A.1.

Little Bubbles Kerr and Master Colin Selby ran first and second after a good competition in the event for Tiny Tots.

In the second and third classes of the Children's Learners' Competition, Master R. Rasch and Master A. Forsyth were successful. The third class resulted in a win for Master F. Hechtel and Miss George Holmes. Miss Veronica Walker and Miss Penelope Dowdell were first and second in the Wee Ponies and Bare Back Riding, the latter being done with arms folded.

The last event on the card was a very good display of jumping, which was won easily by Nancy Kerrison. Second place was taken by Frankie Langley, who carried off the Harriman Challenge Cup presented by G. A. Harriman.

Before calling on Mrs. John Fleming to present the prizes, Lt. Col. H. B. L. Dowbiggin said that the parents of the children should be grateful to Mr. Bob Charles for having such a splendid school organised for them.

He further said that the judging had been extremely difficult this year, while the riding had improved immensely. He then congratulated all the pupils, and Mr. Charles in particular, for the great progress in the School.

Miss V. Walker presented a bouquet of flowers to Mrs. Fleming at the conclusion of the prizegiving, while three hearty cheers were given for Mrs. Fleming and Bob and Mrs. Charles.

Besides Col. Dowbiggin, the other judges were Major F. Hogg, Capt. L. M. Reidy and Capt. A. Hutton Potts.

Winning Competitors
The following were the prize-winners:
Target Competition.—Miss Brock.
Adult Learners' Competition (Class 2).—Miss B. Penney; 2, Miss N. Huxon.
Advanced Children's Competition (Class 3).—Miss M. Steele-Perkins; 2, Master G. Leckie.
Adult Learners' Competition (Class 1).—Miss N. Kerrison; 2, Mr. R. Brooks.
Advanced Children's Competition (Class 2).—Miss M. Fleming; 2, Miss C. Hickman; 3, Master G. W. Hill.
Advanced Children's Competition (Class 1).—Miss M. Fleming; 2, Miss V. Walker; and Dr. F. A. van Woerden.

"Holiday" (King's, to-day).—Excellent new film treatment of the Barry play which argues that money isn't everything. Cary Grant decides that moderate wealth and a right to decide his own life pattern are worth more than millions, yachts, and a town house with an elevator. He gets his freedom and also Katharine Hepburn, offcast daughter of the household. Direction, screen play, and acting are splendid throughout. Doris Nolan, Lew Ayres, Henry Kolker, Edward Everett Horton and Binnie Barnes are others in the cast.

"Fishermen's Wharf" (Queen's and Alhambra, to-day).—Though Bobby Egan is the star of this show, in reality the best bits of the film are supplied by those tried old players, Leo Carillo and Henry Armetta, who are in their best form. Good entertainment, with a mixture of pathos, thrills and laughs in the right proportion.

"If I Were King" (Oriental, to-day).—Superb presentation of Justin McCarthy's dramatic and colourful tale of the poet who had his wish and ruled medieval France for one breathlessly exciting, gaily romantic week. With Ronald Colman, Frances Dee, Basil Rathbone, Ellen Drew and Henry Wilcox in the cast.

"Adventures of Marco Polo" (Majestic, to-day).—Starring Gary Cooper. The most romantic conquest any man ever made. A cavalcade of Oriental splendour and excitement.

"The Baroness and the Butler" (Cathay, to-day).—Films of this sort were very popular a few years ago when Hollywood was more influenced by the German film-makers than it is to-day. Here are the adventures of a butler who looks at a baroness. The story, true in itself, has been given a political twist. William Powell, Henry Stephenson, Joseph Schildkraut and Annabella have the principal roles.

(Class 1).—1, Master F. Langley; 2, Miss V. Walker; 3, E. Fleming.
Tiny Tots Competition.—1, Master B. Kerr; 2, Master C. Selby.
Child Learners' Competition (Class 2).—1, Master B. Rasch; 2, Master A. Forsyth.

Child Learners' Competition (Class 3).—1, Master F. Hechtel; 2, Miss G. Holmes; 3, J. Selby.
Wee Ponies and Bare Back Riding.—1, Miss V. Walker; 2, Miss P. Dowdell.

Jumping Competition.—1, Miss N. Kerrison; 2, Master F. Langley.
The Harriman Challenge Cup for the best rider in the School was won by Master F. Langley, while Miss N. Kerrison won the prize of a whip for being the best girl rider.

A special prize awarded by "Happy Landings" was given to Miss C. Hickman for steady riding.

A riding display was also given by the two School amas, Ah Sum and Ah Jui.

Cups were donated by Messrs. Ezra Abraham, A. W. Amps, J. K. Bousfield, B. W. Bradbury, R. H. J. Brooks, C. B. Brown, H. C. Butler, N. Y. A. Croucher, Lt. Col. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Eu Tong Sen, J. Fleming, G. A. Harriman, P. M. Hodgson, Major F. Hogg, W. A. Jones, S. W. Lee, Surg. Comdr. T. C. H. Nell, Mr. G. O'Connor, Capt. A. Hutton Potts, G. W. Sewell, G. G. N. Finson, Capt. L. M. Reidy, R. A. Rodgers, Mrs. V. Walker, and Dr. F. A. van Woerden.

I'm Never To Time!

By AN UNPUNCTUAL MODERN

I HAVE come to the conclusion that punctuality is an overrated virtue. We were never meant to live like clockwork toys or inhumanly accurate machines.

I myself have suffered from a laudable, but aggravating, desire to be in time and, having given myself at least half an hour too much, have been forced to pace wearily up and down a street, vainly trying to keep my mind off a coming interview.

Then, quaking, I have entered on the dot to find that someone else is late and keeps me waiting! Now, if I had been unpunctual, reasonably so, there would not have been time for disquieting thoughts and the all-important impression would have been made that I was a much sought-after person.

In social life, too, unpunctuality is an asset. The first-comer bears the strain of meeting strangers with tactful visage and of making congenial guest. How much better it is to arrive later and find a beaming host and a crowd of chattering people!

Also, the late-comer enters alone and is not one of an indistinguishable crowd. She can put on a model gown, a distinctive air, and sail into a room gracefully, or hesitate upon the threshold, sure that she will be the cynosure of admiring eyes.

An Elusive Air

Women, they say, should be elusive, perplexing, ever uncertain. That elusive air, I find, is—well—elusive; but it can be cultivated. The essential thing is never to do or be what is expected, and one can start, I think, by being a little late.

The woman who keeps a man waiting, not too long, is, I believe, more appreciated when she actually comes. He begins to wonder if she is safe, to realize how he misses her and how little he knows of the real "she." It does not do to be taken for granted.

Is there anyone who is punctual in the morning? Can anyone seriously like getting up? A few snatched minutes in bed at 7 a.m. are more enjoyable than a whole night of unbroken rest. My mattress always seems softer when I ought to get up, and the spice of excitement in the fact that I may miss my bus lends enjoyment to a trifle.

Life to a time-table is sadly uninteresting.

The late-comer is sought because she does not seek, because she is not over-eager. Unmethodical, maybe, but happy, she lives her own, not another's, life.

BEAUTY TIPS

At this season you may find that your skin is in a condition that is half-way between scalliness and blotchiness. You can correct it without elaborate care. Just use a cleansing cream before your soap and water washing every night and use a skin-cream to help perk-up your skin. Once a week use a good stimulating cream or mask and leave a rich cream on your skin for half an hour or longer. Finish the treatment with a brisk slapping with a pad of cotton soaked in ice water or cold astringent.

SHORT CUTS

The offensive odour and smoke caused by oven spills may be checked by sprinkling a quantity of table salt over the spilled substance.

Fasten a paper bag over the mouth of the grinder with a rubber band when putting crackers and dry bread through the food chopper.

Of course you can wear these new short skirts . . .

A lot of women are jibbing at the idea of wearing their skirts 17ins. off the ground. But there are ways of making short skirts look longer and more becoming.

THE new short skirt style started in America. Not surprising, because American women can usually count on their well-shaped greyhound legs as one of their best points.

But English women find these just-over-the-knee-length skirts pretty trying. Some of you are probably saying to yourself: "But I can't wear these short skirts." If so, this is what you must do:—

FIRST: Concentrate on getting all the lines of your suits and frocks vertical; panels, pleats, trimmings must run downwards; this will make your frock look longer than it actually is.

SECOND: Go in for petticoats, bound hems, anything which will add an extra inch or so without appearing to.

THIRD: Wear dark-toned stockings, matching your frock if possible.

FOURTH: Wear heels as high as you can comfortably take them. These will lift you and your skirt well off the ground without showing any more of your legs.

Here are two spring outfits—a suit and a frock—to illustrate the point:—

LEFT: Print frock in tie silk with a small grey and white design. A white frilly petticoat shows an inch below the hem of the skirt, and is matched by another frill which curves down each side of the bodice, and another round the edge of each short sleeve. Neck of the dress is filled in with a plain white shirt front, caught at the neck by two buttons, and again at the waist.

The skirt of the frock is made in six panels (giving a longer look) and flares to a wide hem.

RIGHT: Navy blue suit in wool twill. Here again the lines are all long and curved on the short jacket, which is tight-waisted and dips a couple of inches at the back. Inside is a pale blue waistcoat slip, and inside that a dark blue blouse. Jacket has a small blue velvet collar at the back.

The skirt is short and full, yes, but the fullness comes from clumps of upturned pleats which are attached down to the hips, and spring out from there, not the waist (a much easier line to wear).

Arabian Turnovers

- 1 cup butter
- 1 package cream cheese.
- 2 cups flour
- 1/4 teaspoon flour

Cream butter and cheese then add flour and salt and mix to firm dough. Wrap in waxed paper and chill until very firm. Roll thin on a floured board and cut into 3 inch squares.

Place 1 tablespoon of the following date filling on each square then fold over bringing the corners together into a crescent shape. Arrange on a greased baking sheet and bake in a hot oven about 15 minutes.



Can You Apologise Gracefully?

CAN you apologise? Can you sincerely and humbly say "I'm sorry" when you know you are in the wrong, when you know you have caused a quarrel?

If you are the type of woman who can pocket her pride and take the first steps towards clearing the air of misunderstanding, one thing is certain. You are a sympathetic woman, an intelligent woman, and you have luck!

There is no doubt about it, it is difficult to take the initial step after the "if" and to be the one to offer the olive branch. "Please forgive me" are small words which mean so much, and yet they are often so hard to utter.

If we can bring ourselves to take the plunge and apologise, however, it is well worth while, for misunderstandings which may quickly be put right by a few simple words, assume terrific proportions if left to flourish in an atmosphere of dreadful silence.

How often two people drift further apart simply because neither of them will squish their pride and offer an apology?

Family Feuds
Family quarrels between relations can soon develop into bitter feuds if either side has not the courage to intent of the heart and mind, and come forward and acknowledge itself an apology when necessary, is a no sooner does one side say they are even in extreme cases when an sorry than the other immediately apology misfires, don't you think it claims all the blame; but that does is better to have tried and lost than to be friends again. Even in blame others when there is a positive cases their urge is towards ability that we are ourselves at clearing the air so that things can fault.

Although some people maintain it is just as hard to forgive as it is to be forgiven, I think the real victory goes to the one who "comes clean," and whose proud though perhaps hating words, "I'm sorry!" point the way to peace.

Of course, there are people who simply cannot see themselves in the wrong. We all know the woman who is continually ill-used, and it is never her fault. The family, friends, business associates, or everyday contacts may all be blamed when troubles arise, but she is always in the right. No apology will be forthcoming from her.

In her heart she may know that she is in the wrong, but something in her mental make-up doggedly prevents her from owning up and so making a fresh start with those concerned.

Such a pity this! For brooding over troubles, real or imaginary, only makes them worse, and grievances which are allowed to pile up on top of another have a way of stifling friendliness and affection.

The woman who is never penitent on any occasion cannot expect others to rally round and sympathise when her troubles become overwhelming.

The use of the right words is a talent of the heart and mind, and never to have made an effort at all never to have made an effort at all never to have made an effort at all.

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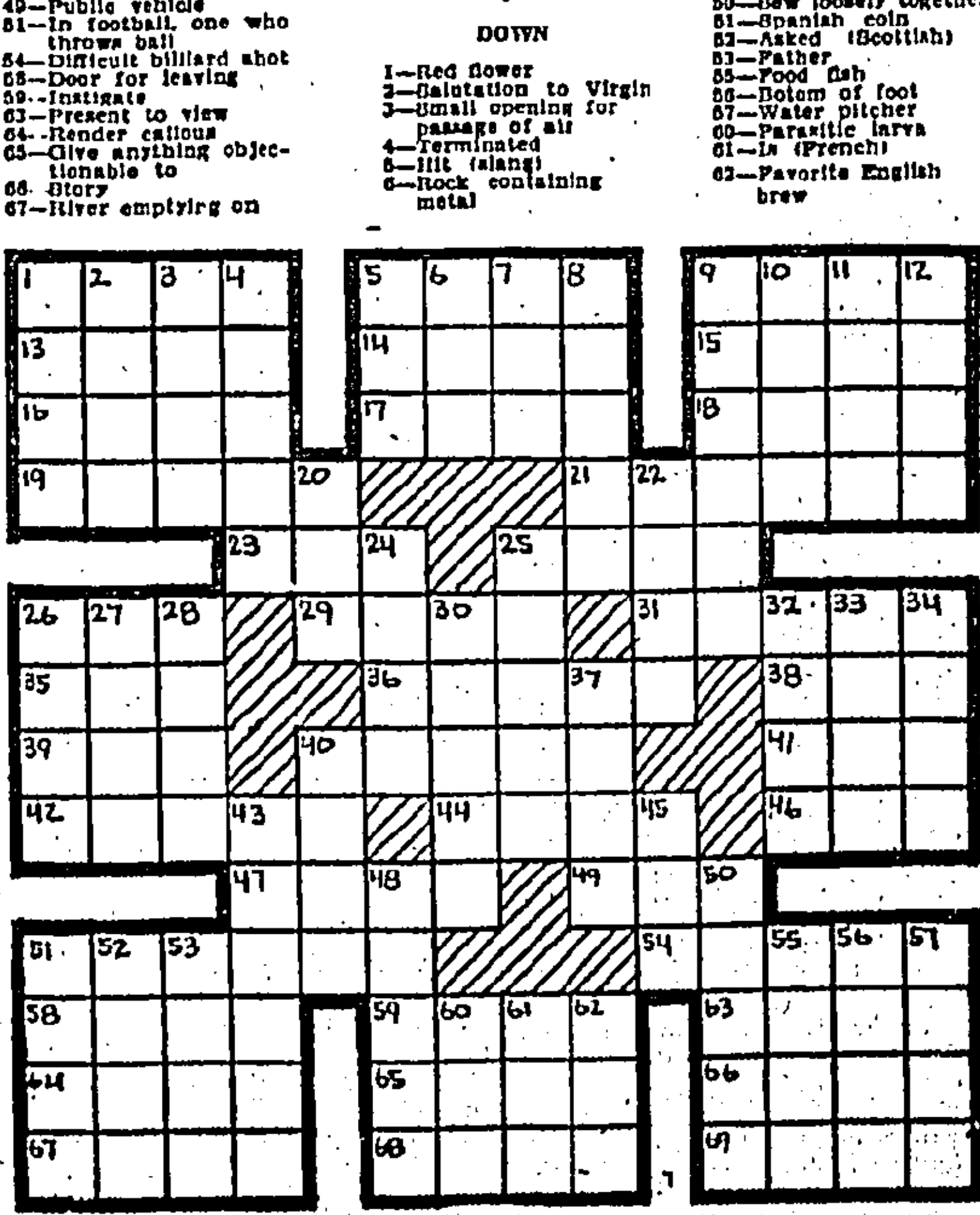
ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

ACROSS

- 1-Differ widely
- 2-"Cap"
- 3-Imaginary fish
- 4-Where bread is made
- 5-Extra and occasional
- 6-(Gothic)
- 7-Calcium oxide
- 8-Drive by force
- 9-Pertaining to climbing
- 10-herb of bean family
- 11-Confess frankly
- 12-Natural fat
- 13-Assiduously directed
- 14-Make pale
- 15-Away from wind
- 16-Chinning
- 17-William
- 18-Become spoiled
- 19-Come by him
- 20-Type of dock
- 21-Common rodent
- 22-Sou (French)
- 23-At inward point
- 24-Unnecessary activity
- 25-Articles of commerce
- 26-Grating
- 27-Benjamin
- 28-Counter-tenor voice
- 29-Public vehicle
- 30-In football, one who throws ball
- 31-Difficult billiard shot
- 32-Door for leaving
- 33-Instigate
- 34-Present to view
- 35-Small opening for passage of air
- 36-Give anything objectionable to
- 37-River emptying on

DOWN

- 1-Red flower
- 2-Station to Virgin
- 3-Small opening for passage of air
- 4-Terminated
- 5-III (Greek)
- 6-Rock containing metal
- 7-Ancient money of account
- 8-Man's name
- 9-Made joyful
- 10-Character with electricity
- 11-Plants with sun-god emblem
- 12-Culture support
- 13-In vicinity of
- 14-Formal assurance of person
- 15-Small tree of oak family
- 16-Irish playwright
- 17-Scene of last Pan-American Conference
- 18-Liver in Belgium
- 19-District (Island)
- 20-Yellow-gray color
- 21-Dark bird on a school
- 22-English double
- 23-Scandinavian navigator
- 24-Italian festival
- 25-Female suffix
- 26-Circle in Waldeck, Germany
- 27-New loosely together
- 28-Spanish coin
- 29-Abbed (Scottish)
- 30-Father
- 31-Baby
- 32-Notion of foot
- 33-Water pitcher
- 34-Parasitic larva
- 35-In (French)
- 36-Favorite English brew



For a smart mixed foursome at bridge or poker, tiny evening hats find favour. Sally Victor designed these; one of bi-coloured tufted velvet and the other on the right of contrasting ostrich feathers mounted on black velvet. Both gowns were created by Elizabeth Hawes of metallic cloth. The one on the left is dark red, with low, square-cut neck and adjustable lacing. The other is of silver cloth with just a hint of blue running through the entire gown.

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20-Year-Old Razor Alleged Clue To Missing \$100 Banknote

A NOVEL IDENTIFICATION parade took place at Sheungshui police station last month when Eu Yuk-sim, a 48-year-old widow, claimed to be able to recognise a \$100 banknote which had been stolen from her by armed robbers a few days before.

Japan

Leopards Escape In Tokyo

Tokyo, Mar. 19. Alarm and excitement gripped the centre of the Metropolis yesterday when reports spread that fierce animals were let loose in a circus fire near Kodai, Tokyo's traffic centre.

Police and fire-brigade squads as well as members of Young Men's Associations were called out to prevent disturbances, and when the fire was extinguished the animals were all captured.

With about 700 people attending, the Shibada Circus was giving a performance in the central ward of the Metropolis on Saturday afternoon, when fire suddenly broke out near the animals' cages.

Two leopards, a camel, eight monkeys, and ten dogs were understood to have escaped as the flames spread. Interpolating traffic in the affected area, police and fire-fighting forces flung a cordon around the compound and succeeded in driving the wild animals into their cages.—Domei.

LOCAL JUDGES

Qualifications To Be Made Uniform

The draft of a short Bill to amend the Supreme Court and Full Court Ordinances is gazetted.

It is explained that the establishment of a Colonial Legal Service, the members of which are liable to transfer from one Colony to another, makes it important that the provisions of the law relating to the qualifications of Judges should be uniform throughout the Colonial Empire.

To promote such uniformity the Secretary of State, by a circular despatch dated July 29, 1938, has requested that an early opportunity be taken to arrange for a provision in the local statute law requiring that no person shall be appointed to be a Judge of the Supreme Court unless:

(i) he is qualified to practise as an advocate in a Court in England, Scotland, Northern Ireland or some other part of His Majesty's dominions having unlimited jurisdiction either in civil or criminal matters; and
(ii) he has been qualified for not less than five years to practise as an advocate or solicitor in such a Court.

The Bill is intended to make the necessary changes.

STANLEY GAOL HEAD

Lieut.-Cmdr. Harrison Takes up New Post

The appointment of Lieut.-Cmdr. Wilfrid Hugh Lane Harrison, R.N. (Ret.) as Superintendent of Hong-kong Prison, Stanley, was notified in the Government Gazette on Saturday. Lieut.-Cmdr. Harrison arrived in the Colony and assumed duty on March 15.

Refring from the Royal Navy in 1932, Lieut.-Cmdr. Harrison spent two and a half years in the Prisons Department in England, and during the past four years had been attached to the Prisons Department in Kenya Colony.

The Superintendent of Stanley Prison is a new post recently created.

The story was related at the Criminal Sessions this morning when Man Ying and Cheung Kuen stood their trial for the robbery before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl McGregor, and a jury.

Mr. J. B. Prentiss, who conducted the Crown case, said that Eu's but not Sheungshui Wai was raided by five men in the early hours of January 20 and a quantity of money, jewellery and household goods stolen.

The following morning Eu set out along the Tin Lung highway with a Chinese detective and pointed out Man, whom she had not known before, as one of the men involved. On him was found a \$100 Hongkong banknote and at his home a razor was discovered.

After questioning Man was released but five minutes later a woman reported that the razor was one of a pair which she owned, and did not know then was missing.

A police party thereupon set out and brought Man back. A few days later, continued Mr. Prentiss, Eu picked out Man at an identification parade at Sheungshui police station and a test was made whether she could identify the \$100 note as the one stolen from her.

The note was put with seven other similar \$100 notes and handed to Eu, who, after a few minutes, selected the one which she claimed had been stolen from her. This was the one found on Man.

IDENTIFIED BANKNOTE
Corroborating Mr. Prentiss' outline, Eu told the court that she identified her note as a small "V" had been worn in the middle. She also recognised the Chinese character (written in running hand on the top of the note and the character chun written in orthodox style in the middle).

Eu also claimed that the razor found in Man's home was hers. "I have used that razor for 20 years," she said. "Part of the edge is bent and there is only one small part of the blade that is serviceable."

The jury hearing the case comprises F. C. Mow Fung (foreman), Ng Chau-wah, J. A. Pereira, Omar el Arculi, L. Gaddi, Fung Tsun and Chan Wei-yuek.

The hearing is proceeding.

He Wed The Queen's Niece

"Love in a cottage" does not make the ideal marriage, according to Mr. Kenneth Harrington.

At the age of 26, he was a junior assistant in the Diplomatic Service, had been engaged for four years to the Queen's niece, Miss Cecilia Bowes-Lyon.

They broke off the engagement because they could not afford to marry. They waited for nearly two years. He works in the City with the British Metal Corporation. "I did not think it fair to her to marry when I was in a junior position. Now I'm glad we waited," he said.

To their friends the re-engagement and marriage was no surprise.

WAS IN STOCKHOLM

The bride is 27. She is the eldest daughter of Lord Glims, a brother of the Queen and heir to the Earl of Strathmore, and lives at East Grinstead, Sussex.

The bridegroom is the youngest son of the late Judge Edward Harrington, a county court judge. From 1930 to 1932 he was hon. attaché to the British Legation in Stockholm.

At the age of 11, she was bridesmaid at the wedding of the King and Queen at Westminster Abbey.

Social Items

The weekly meeting of the Hong-kong Group of the Peace Pledge Union will be addressed next Wednesday by the Rev. W. G. B. Ream, his subject being "Pacifism and the Church". The meeting will be held as usual in the Challenge Bookshop at 5.30 p.m., and is open to the public.

St. John's Cathedral Women's Fellowship are holding a Bridge and Mahjong Drive on Thursday, March 23, commencing at 3 p.m. Admission is \$1, including tea. Tables need not be made up beforehand.

Miss Phyllis W. Brown has been appointed Principal of Bellios Public School.

Mr. G. W. Sewell, of Messrs. Robertson, Wilson & Co., Ltd., has been transferred from the French Hospital, Causeway Bay, to the War Memorial Hospital at the Peak.

Two weddings took place before Mr. T. J. Gould, Deputy Registrar of Marriages, at the Registry on Saturday, Mr. Wong Yam-sai, 61, after at Kowloon Docks, married Miss Shi King-hing, teacher, of 15 Matawei Road, Kowloon, the witnesses being Messrs. Shi Ka-hock and Hui Kwok-sum; and Dr. Choong Ka-kei, medical practitioner, married Miss Shi Yim-ling, of 23 Bonham Road, Hongkong.

OBITUARY

Death of Former Colony Resident in England

The many friends he made while in Hongkong will regret to learn of the death of Mr. L. J. Blackburn, at the age of 57. News has been received in the Colony that Mr. Blackburn passed away last Saturday, in England. He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. J. A. R. Selby, and Miss V. Blackburn of Jardine Matheson and Co., Ltd., and a son who is a member of the R.A.F. in England.

Mr. Blackburn arrived in Hongkong in 1905, and joined the Hongkong and China Gas Company, being made manager in 1923, and holding this post until 1930 when he went into partnership with Mr. E. W. Blackmore, forming the firm of Messrs. Blackmore and Blackburn, Ltd., a local engineering and contractors establishment. He retired from active business in 1936. Mr. Blackburn was also an enthusiastic Mason.

Members of the Kowloon Cricket Club will remember the late Mr. Blackburn as a keen sportsman. He joined the Club shortly after his arrival and was a member of the general committee in 1911, occupying this position continuously for 12 years. Owing to his invaluable service to the Club, he was made a life member in 1925. He played cricket for the Club from 1908 to 1924; and was also a tennis enthusiast and figured prominently in certain sections of the Club's annual championship events.

NEW COUNCIL MEMBER

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. W. N. Thomas Tam to be temporarily an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council, in the place of the Hon. Dr. Li Shu-fan, who is temporarily absent from the Colony.

Mr. Tam is also appointed a member of the Traffic Board in place of the Hon. Mr. Lo Man-kam, resigned.

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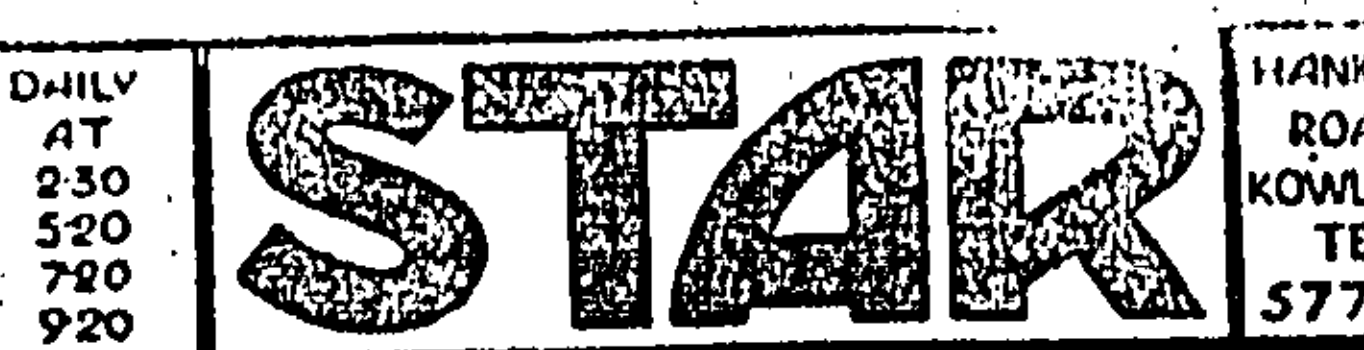
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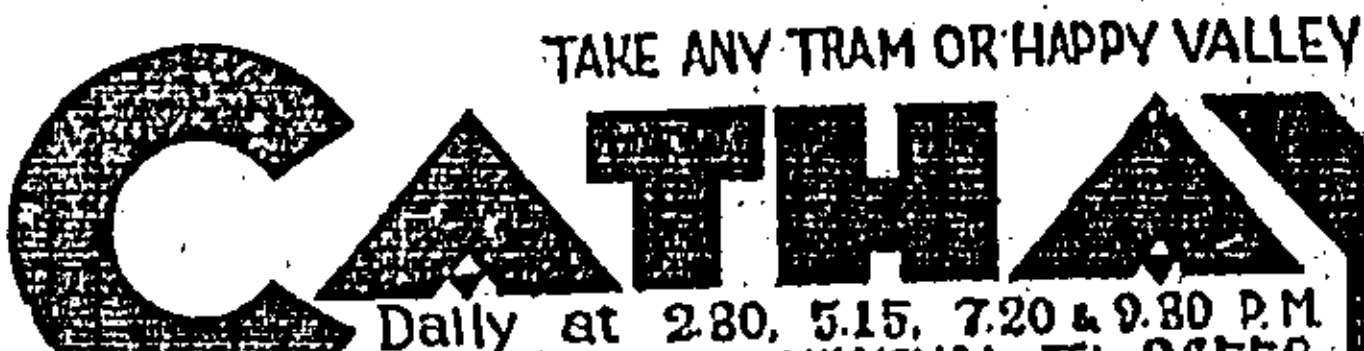
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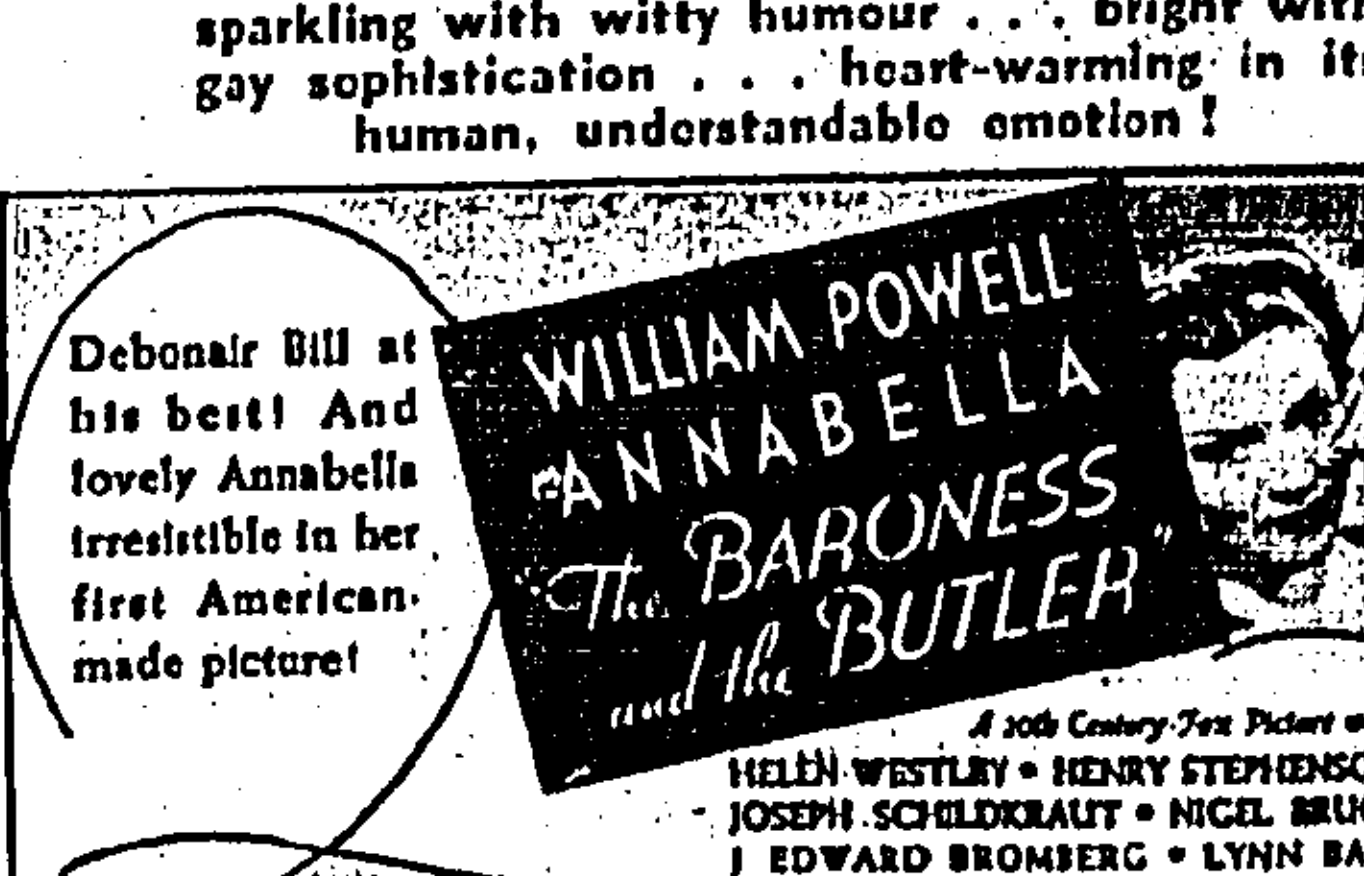


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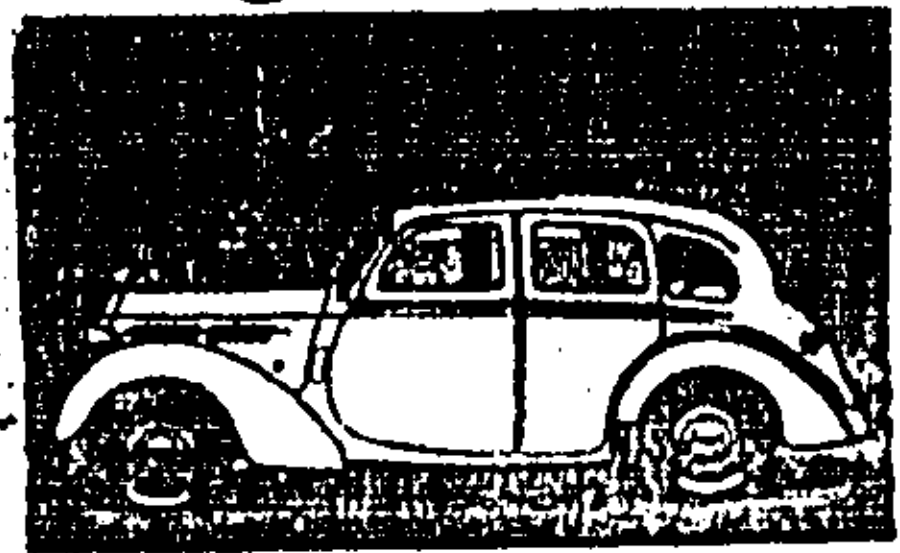
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FRENCH AID FOR RUMANIA COUNTERING THE GERMAN DEMANDS

PARIS, MAR. 19.

M. DALADIER, M. BONNET AND QUAI D'ORSAY EXPERTS ARE PREPARING AN IMMEDIATE REPLY TO THE RUMANIAN DEMARCHE WHICH FOLLOWED RECEPTION OF GERMANY'S DEMANDS, WHICH, IF NOT STRICTLY SPEAKING AN ULTIMATUM, AT LEAST PRESENT AN ALTERNATIVE INVOLVING COMPLETE LOSS OF ECONOMIC INDEPENDENCE.

It is understood that the British Cabinet has decided to await the French decisions before joining in assurances to Rumania.

The French, who have been linked to Rumania through years of Little Entente friendship, and indirectly, but firmly, through mutual accord with Poland, are expected to promise Rumania support, but the Quai d'Orsay wants to obtain full information regarding the position of Soviet Russia before analysing the position thoroughly.

EYES ON OIL-WELLS

Apart from diplomatic considerations, it is certain that both the French and British are most determined not to open to Germany the tremendous Rumanian oil reservoirs, as well as wood and farm products.

It is felt that if these materials are available to the Reich, the latter will be fully prepared to turn back to the West.

An additional consideration, as far as the French are concerned, is the fact that they themselves depend to a certain extent on Rumanian oil, for which they have economic agreements.

M. Lucien Brugué Burios, writing in "Petit Parisien," which usually gives the Quai d'Orsay viewpoint, says this morning that it is "quite evident that the German blow at the integrity or economic liberty of Rumania cannot be tolerated."

"Once in possession of Rumanian wheat and oil, Germany will have no brake to prevent her from carrying out her designs of hegemony, and of threatening the whole of Europe."

DELADIER'S FULL POWERS
Paris, Mar. 19.
The French Premier has been armed with extraordinary power as a result of the Senate's approval of the Full Powers Bill.

M. Daladier will immediately prepare a series of decrees of economic and industrial nature, and for plugging the frontier gaps, probably sending additional troops to the Maginot Line.

It is indicated that specialised reserves, chiefly machine-gunners, anti-aircraft gunners, and gas defence units, will be called to the colours, although there will be no general mobilisation.

Meanwhile, M. Bonnet, in his London talks, is expected to discuss the following:

- 1.—British and French military measures.
- 2.—Diplomatic steps to be taken following the dismemberment of Czechoslovakia.
- 3.—Steps to be taken in view of a pact between General Franco and Poland, if Germany should take Memel, Danzig, or the Polish Corridor.
- 4.—The danger of a German thrust towards Rumania, with whom France has a mutual defence pact.
- 5.—Hastening the end of the Spanish war.
- 6.—Mediterranean and Red Sea problems.
- 7.—The democracies' relations with the United States, particularly the purchase of more war planes.
- 8.—United Press.

MAY BE FORCED INTO NAZI CAMP
The suggestion that the Rumanian Ministers to London and Paris, M. Tila and M. Tulescu, have hinted the possibility of Rumania choosing to be taken within the orbit of Germany, rather than to trust to the

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Kowloon Dock Launching Hongkong Shipyards Fill Big Order

WHEN, quietly and without much ceremony, a 2,500-ton vessel glides into the sea at the Kowloon Dockyard on March 30 a programme of building involving nine ships for Australian delivery will be almost complete.

Seven of the nine ships have been built for Messrs. Burns Philp and Company and of these five have been built at Kowloon and the other two at Talook. In addition two wooden ketches have been built, one for the Government Medical Officer at Gilbert Island and the other for a New Guinea planter.

Supervision of the building has been entrusted to Mr. A. Corrigan, who came from Australia three years ago. He will return when the last craft is completely fitted out, probably in June.

The seven B. P. ships are for service on the company's many lines. The one being launched on March 30 is destined for the South Sea Islands trade.

Troopship Due To-morrow

TRAVELLING under Navy charter, the troopship Lancashire will arrive in Hongkong at 6.30 a.m. to-morrow. She will berth alongside the Navy Dockyard.

The Lancashire is bringing about 350 naval ratings as recruits for ships on the China Station. In addition there are a number of Army officers and men who will disembark in this Colony.

The troopship will leave Hongkong on the return voyage to England on April 2.

Navy take less water with it



AN Admiralty Order issued to the Fleet recently authorises the issue of "two water rum" as a permanent arrangement. Rum, the only alcohol allowed on board for the crew, is issued to every ship's company at noon each day.

Until last year, when it was diluted in the proportion of two pints of water to one of spirit, the mixture was known as "three water." As an experiment, dilution was reduced to half-and-half—two three-pence a day extra pay instead of their grog allowance.

To-day's News Map

shows (in light shading) the countries of the Balkan Entente, Rumania, Yugoslavia, Greece and Turkey, whose statesmen have banded together against totalitarian aggression. A recent meeting led to a strengthening of the ties between the four countries.



Later, Bulgaria may abandon her position of isolation in the Balkans and join the Entente.

But Nazi agents are already active in Jugo-Slavia and Rumania, seeking to break up the combination which would halt Hitler's drive to the Black Sea.

PALESTINE CRISIS

NEW OUTBREAK OF GUERRILLA TERROR

JERUSALEM, Mar. 19.

DESPITE ADDITIONAL precautions by the British military authorities to preserve order, following the failure of the Palestine conference, guerilla warfare continued to-day, and numerous incidents were reported from all parts of the country.

King Solomon's Father-in-Law Tomb Of Ancient Pharaoh Found

CAIRO, Mar. 19.
THE ANTIQUITIES DEPARTMENT believe they have found the tomb of King Solomon's father-in-law, King Pausesness.

In the course of excavations in ancient Tanis, Professor Montet found intact a tomb which he supposed belongs to the 22nd Dynasty, containing a double sarcophagus, one silver and one gold, representing King Pausesness with a hawk's head.

Fearing robbery, Professor Montet has suspended further investigations pending the despatch from Cairo of strong police guards.—United Press.

King Solomon, whose realm extended in the 10th Century B.C. from Tiphah on the Euphrates to the borders of Egypt, maintained a harem reputed to have contained eight hundred wives.

Among these was the daughter of Pausesness, who brought Gezar as a dowry.

"Encyclopaedia Britannica" records that a special palace was built for the distinguished consort whose father's remains have now, according to "United Press," been discovered.

Pausesness appears to have belonged to the Salite, XXVIIth Dynasty, and not the XXIIInd Dynasty as reported from Cairo. The founder of the Dynasty was Psammethichus, who ruled at Sais as a petty king under the Ethiopian dynasty.

Mr. W. N. Thomas Tam has been appointed a Member of the Traffic Board in place of the Hon. Mr. Lo Man-kam who has resigned.

An Arab official of the district administration in Akko was fired upon by an Arab irregular and severely wounded. The assailant escaped.

As a punishment for the attack, the British authorities proclaimed an immediate curfew, and imposed a fine of £300 on the town, which British troops collected by force on Sunday.

The bullet-ridden body of an Arab was found near Haifa, and a Jew was seriously wounded near the Jaffa railway station when he was fired upon by an Arab irregular.

LAND MINE EXPLOSION
A land mine exploded beneath a train between Kalkileh and Raslein, damaging the train and the track.

An unexploded bomb was found in Haifa.

The death sentence on an Arab was confirmed to-day by the Commander-in-Chief of the British military forces in Palestine.

A Jewish general strike, proclaimed for Monday throughout Palestine, as a protest against the failure of the conference, has been postponed for an indefinite period, but all Arabs in Haifa have closed their shops as a sign of protest. A transportation strike also started to-day.—Trans-Ocean.

JEW REFUGEES
A further four hundred Jewish refugees from Austria and Czechoslovakia passed through Hongkong en route to Shanghai by the m.v. Victoria on Saturday.

Three refugees disembarked in Hongkong.

TROOPS MOVING TO RUMANIAN FRONTIER

PARIS, MAR. 20.

IT IS REPORTED FROM BUCHAREST THAT MANY CIVILIANS HAVE BEEN CALLED TO THE COLOURS.

SOME ARE BEING KEPT IN BARRACKS IN THE CAPITAL WHILE OTHERS ARE BEING SENT TO THE EAST AND SOUTH.—REUTER.

Roads Crowded With Troops

BUCHAREST, Mar. 19.

ROADS IN THE north-western districts of Rumania are crowded with troops moving rapidly towards the Rumanian and Hungarian frontiers.

Official circles, however, emphasise that there is no general mobilisation, but that large numbers of young men have been called to the colours.

Japanese Abandon The Attack On Kuling

NANCHANG, Mar. 20.

STERLING CHINESE defence, coupled with natural topographical difficulties, has forced the Japanese invaders to discontinue their attack on the 3,500-foot precipice of Kuling, where a strong force of defenders remain unbudged.

The defenders of Kuling, after fully six months' resistance, have the satisfaction of not only being able to keep the Japanese at bay, but also of exacting heavy tolls from repeated unsuccessful enemy attacks.

Throughout their long series of attacks on the Chinese stronghold, the Japanese had thrown in the full might of their army and air force. Numerous assaults were attempted but they never succeeded in reaching above the midlevel of the difficult height.

Chinese defenders have erected an intricate system of defence amid well hidden natural positions which defied the mechanised might of the Japanese.

Their ammunition was often replenished by those left by the Japanese during their attacks.

In several cases, three or four truckloads of cartridges were abandoned by the Japanese on the field.

The Japanese have now given up attacks, and seem satisfied in keeping a defensive position at the foot of the hill.

Numerous outlying Japanese positions on the surrounding districts and transport contingents were constantly exposed to Chinese lightning raids from their stronghold in Kuling. As a precaution against the predatory raids of the Chinese, the Japanese have now strengthened their convoy system along the Tchen-Kluking line.—Central News.

JAPANESE DRIVEN BACK

Ningkuo, Mar. 20.
With the arrival of heavy reinforcements, the Chinese operating in Kiangsu have succeeded in driving back to Tienwangssu, about 30 miles south-east of Nanking, the Japanese who were pushing towards the Chinese positions nearby.

Chinese guerilla activities in central Kiangsi ran rampant in the past few days. They have badly damaged the bridges to the west of Lishui, south-west of Tienwangssu, to impede Japanese communications there.

Shanghai, a town south-east of Lishui, was razed to the ground as a result of Japanese incendiary bombing recently. Nearly all the villages within two miles of the highway there were also burned down. Several

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Million Dollar Reward!

A reward of \$1,000,000 to anyone who can prove that the Tiger Medical Hall has used raw camphor imported from Japan during the past four years is offered by Mr. Aw Boon Haw.

Mr. Aw states that his camphor oil comes from his own factories in China.

He had not imported any other camphor to Singapore except for a small quantity ordered through a Chinese firm in Hongkong. This shipment was all unused.

Circulars had been issued stating that he had imported 100 tons of raw camphor from Japan last year. This was absurd, said Mr. Aw.

A party of men had attempted to pour black oil on his Bell Road premises one morning but had been prevented by the watchman. Mr. Aw considers this was "inflamed" by some unknown agitators who may have a grudge against him.

AIR RAIDS CONTINUE

Siangyang, Fancheng Again Bombed

SIANGYANG, Mar. 20.

WANTON DESTRUCTION of property but remarkably few loss of lives featured the third successive day's Japanese bombing of Siangyang and Fancheng, sister cities across each other on the Han River in north Hupeh, by fifteen planes in relays throughout yesterday morning and afternoon.

More than 200 missiles were dropped at random on all parts of the two cities, bringing down hundreds more structures to debris and ruin. Effective steps taken by the local authorities to decentralise the population were able to limit the casualties list to just over 20.

Already considerably reduced to ashes, Siangyang and Fancheng now present pictures of ravage and desolation in strange contrast with the peace and prosperity a month ago. After yesterday's raid, more people have moved out from the urban areas to the adjoining countries.—Central News.

SZEWUI ATTACKED

Linhien, Mar. 20.

Nine Japanese heavy bombers subjected Szeui to another terrific bombardment from the air shortly before ten o'clock yesterday morning.

Parts of the city and many adjoining areas were made targets of the Japanese raid. Altogether more than 30 "eggs" were hatched, killing and wounding ten civilians.—Central News.

Reads Books, Gets Book

MOBEKLY, Mo.
Billy Frank Nelson won a prize for reading 91 books last summer. The prize was a book.

EFFECT OF INVASION ON HONGKONG CZECHS

SEVERAL MEMBERS of the colony of Czech subjects in Hongkong have been told to change their passports for German ones on instructions from their head offices in Czechoslovakia.

To-day the German Consul in Hongkong, Mr. H. Gipperich, said he had had no reports from Europe and could make no comment on the present status of former Czech subjects in Hongkong.

As he cried when I read the newspapers that Germany had invaded Czechoslovakia," said a Czech who was interviewed by the "Telegraph" this morning.

He said there was unanimous local opinion about Hitler and his methods.

As his mother and sister and sister still lived near Zlin he asked that his name should be withheld, for fear that the Nazis might throw them into a concentration camp.

Local Czechs expect that they will have to become German subjects or lose their nationality.

"It's no good," said one of them who has only been in Hongkong a short while and can speak just a little English. When asked for his opinion about Europe and Hitler's action, he shook his head and said: "No like Hitler."

UNHAPPY CZECHS IN LOST HOMELAND

Prague, Mar. 19.

Many Czechs went walking in the country to-day to avoid witnessing a parade of German troops in Wenceslas Place, during which Czechs

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LATEST

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Further Late News

INJURED WORKMEN'S £8,500

Unknown Perils From Chemicals

"THIS case is rather like the Croydon typhoid case in as much as we now know much that we didn't know before," said Mr. H. J. Wallington, K.C., in the King's Bench Division recently when a settlement involving the payment of £8,500 damages to two workmen in a chemical factory was mentioned to Mr. Justice Lewis.

Plaintiffs were Eric Laurence Lee and Sydney Stephen Radford, employees of the Leyton Manufacturing Company, Limited, of Hainault Road, Leytonstone.

Mr. Cartwright Sharp, K.C., for the workmen, said there was not now any doubt that, owing to vapours arising from certain chemicals, very grave personal injuries had been inflicted on the plaintiffs. The point in the case was whether that was due to the negligence of the company.

"Radford is in a terrible state," he added, "and Lee is suing by his 'next friend' as he is incapable of managing his own affairs."

UNABLE TO WORK AGAIN

Mr. Sharp said Lee would receive £3,500 and Radford £5,000, clear of all costs. Lee would probably never be able to do any work again.

The workmen's case was that though steps were taken to protect the men from the vapours they were insufficient. The chemicals manufactured formed a new industry in this country, and the company maintained that they now knew more about the dangers than they could have known earlier.

Mr. Wallington, for the company, said before they began the manufacture they made exhaustive inquiries in America and Germany through the Home Office. They were so satisfied with the results of those inquiries that they thought there was no danger at all.

Mr. Justice Lewis, approving the settlement, said it did seem as if the defendants had a good defence. An employer could only do what was reasonable, and they had taken the precautions in regard to what danger was known.

Queen Approves Crinolines

Crinolines have been approved by the Queen for wear by debutantes at Court presentations this year.

She wore one herself recently, and gave the fashion a big lift. Now they have been chosen as the equals of formal, straight Court dresses for wearing with trains and feathers; they are established as a fashion which will last perhaps for years.

Mrs. Handley-Seymour has made two Court designs with crinolines skirts as wide as the most advanced Paris models.

British Trade In China

London.

A FURTHER question was asked in the House of Commons recently regarding the interference by Japan with British trade in the Far East.

Mr. Morel asked the Prime Minister whether he is aware that a British firm in Tsingtao have complained to His Majesty's Consul-General that the Japanese naval mission has signified that permits to import dyed cloth into Tsingtao will be refused unless accompanied by a certificate that the goods are of Japanese manufacture; and what action he has taken in the matter?

Mr. Butler: Yes, Sir, and my Noble Friend is awaiting a full report on the matter.

Mr. Morel: Is my right hon. Friend aware that these restrictions are being applied not only to imports into China but also to exports; and may I have an opportunity of discussing the matter with him?

Mr. Butler: I shall be very glad to discuss the matter with my hon. Friend.

Cows Betray Fugitive

BRISBANE, Australia.

Ronald Auburn Chapman, 20, would like to be a hero, and the female sex in general and that of cows in particular. He had escaped from the Rockhampton Jail and had concealed himself in a hollow log when a herd of cows, gathering around in a semi-circle, attracted the attention of a constable.

She Has 2 'Planes And A 'Rolls'

Salisbury. Fifty-six-year-old Mrs. Margaret Hollands, of Quinley, Andover, who owns two aeroplanes, and a Rolls-Royce car, was charged with her son, Francis, at Salisbury recently with the theft of a tarpaulin used to cover one of her 'planes.

She was fined £4, with 6s. 3d. costs, and her son was fined £1. She was allowed a month in which to pay.

In her lamp-lit bungalow, standing in ten acres of grounds, Mrs. Hollands told how she came to own the 'planes and car.

"I brought the aeroplane as junk for my son to study aeronautics and the Rolls, which formerly belonged to Sir William Whiteley, and originally cost £5,000, I picked up for £10 three years ago.

PLANNED HIRE SERVICE

"I intended starting a hire service with the car but I found it was impracticable. I kept it, hoping it might be useful in a film or for breaking up."

"My son, who is 22 years of age, has a life ambition to become an air pilot but unfortunately he has a weak heart and has been forbidden to work."

"All the same he is studying aeronautics and when I was offered an old Avro machine very cheaply, I bought it for him."

"The other machines is a Bristol fighter which belonged to a friend of my son. He could not afford to pay for it and I offered to house the machine."

LEFT PENNILESS

"I was brought up luxuriously and my husband was a famous musician some years ago. He was known professionally as 'Herr Frischer'."

"I travelled with him on four round-the-world tours, and he was earning thousands a year. He lived up to it, and when he took his life, I was left penniless."

"Since his death I have been trying to live by doing needlework. 'In the police court it was said I had written begging letters. I have only written one—three years ago, I wrote to a fitted woman in London who knew my husband at the height of his career and asked her to assist me."

"She mistook my genuine appeal and informed the police."

FAITH HEALING

El Reno, Okla.

A "faith healer" helped an El Reno woman place \$93 in currency in a bandage on her injured knee, asserting that the money would cure the ailment. When the bandage was removed, the \$93 was missing. The woman sought the police.



Dr. Oswaldo Aranha, Brazil's Foreign Minister, chatting with newspaperman as he arrived in New York for a week of conference with Administration leaders in Washington. The tall, suave Brazilian, a good friend of the United States ever since his term as Ambassador in Washington, said there was little likelihood of totalitarianism in Brazil.

Royal Yacht To Be Hospital Ship

The King's Wish Revealed

A HIGH OFFICIAL of the Admiralty revealed recently that the King had said that in the event of war, the Royal Yacht would become available as a hospital ship.

Therefore the new yacht, for which provision is made in the estimates just published, would be a ship of the highest standing.

Although the estimates show a gross total of £153,000,000, and are the largest ever presented in peace time, it is almost certain that they will be even higher next year, the official added.

It was also stated that there is a shortage of young officers and that the Admiralty were looking for other methods to increase the number.

PROMOTION SCHEME

They hoped shortly to publish a scheme dealing with the Naval Reserve and the Volunteer Reserve, which would offer promotion not only from warrant rank, but also direct from the lower deck.

The Navy will have under construction during 1939 two hundred ships of various kinds.

Film Life Of Lord Kitchener

WAR OFFICE records of the sinking of H.M.S. Hampshire, in which Lord Kitchener lost his life, will be made public for the first time in a film of the life of Kitchener of Khartoum which Herbert Wilcox is to produce.

"The full details of the sinking of the Hampshire will come out in the film," Mr. Wilcox said when he left Southampton in the liner Normandie on his way to Hollywood to find an actor for the leading role.

"I am hoping to bring back with me an English actor who is world-famous, but who has never made a film in England," he said. He would not deny that he was referring to Ronald Colman.

Sir Robert Vansittart, Chief Diplomatic Adviser to the Government, has written the book, and the film will be made at Denham with the full co-operation of the War Office; the Admiralty and members of Kitchener's family.

It will deal with Kitchener's life from the Sudan days to the great war. Queen Victoria will appear for three minutes, and this part will probably be played by Anna Neagle.

Scarlet Pimpernel Freed: 'Lost Everything'

Somewhere in Sussex. THE Scarlet Pimpernel of the Spanish war, Captain Edwin Christopher Lance, D.S.O., who for the last eighteen months had lived in a prison under the daily threat of the execution squad, arrived secretly in England recently.

Captain Lance was accused by the Spanish Republicans of having smuggled out of the country more than 100 men and women of noble birth, wealth, or political hostility.

"I was regarded as the most dangerous man in the country," he said. "I had two crime sheets. No. 1 accused me of being a spy, No. 2 of being an accomplice."

"At the moment I am the most ignorant man in Europe. I do not know what has been happening for the last year and a half. When I crossed the French border with the British Minister in Barcelona, Mr. Ralph Stevenson, I had to ask him who was King of England now."

"I have lost everything I had except my gold signet-ring. My father gave it to me on my twenty-first birthday, and I have hidden it in many places, including my mouth and between my toes."

"Towards the end of last week, when things were getting bad, there were 2,000 of us imprisoned in a former monastery near Figueras, El Collado. Before that there had been only 300."

"Seven others were packed with me in my tiny cell. Before that I was in the Uruguay, the prison ship in Barcelona port. Once or twice,

POLICE STATION QUIET

Raymond, N. H. Pence, it's wonderful, Oscar Littlefield was so annoyed when firemen disturbed his slumber to quell a blaze in his cot that he whistled for his dog and trekked to the police station, demanded a bed and finished his night's rest there.

The Little Dog Laughed...

SKIPPER is only a puppy, but when he was taken to a wedding at Ramsgate, Kent, recently and was tied up in the church porch and expected to wait outside until the service was over, his doggie soul revolted.

His tail twitched angrily; his little black nose quivered with indignation; and then he lifted up his voice in protest.

Inside the Holy Trinity Church, the rector, the Rev. R. W. Bunsall, paused in the service and asked: "Will the owner of the dog barking outside please bring him into the church so that the service may not be disturbed?"

Bride and bridegroom—Miss Joan Brimley and Mr. R. N. Haslewood—waited while a young woman blushing rosy, went outside and returned with the puppy in her arms. The service was finished without further interruption.

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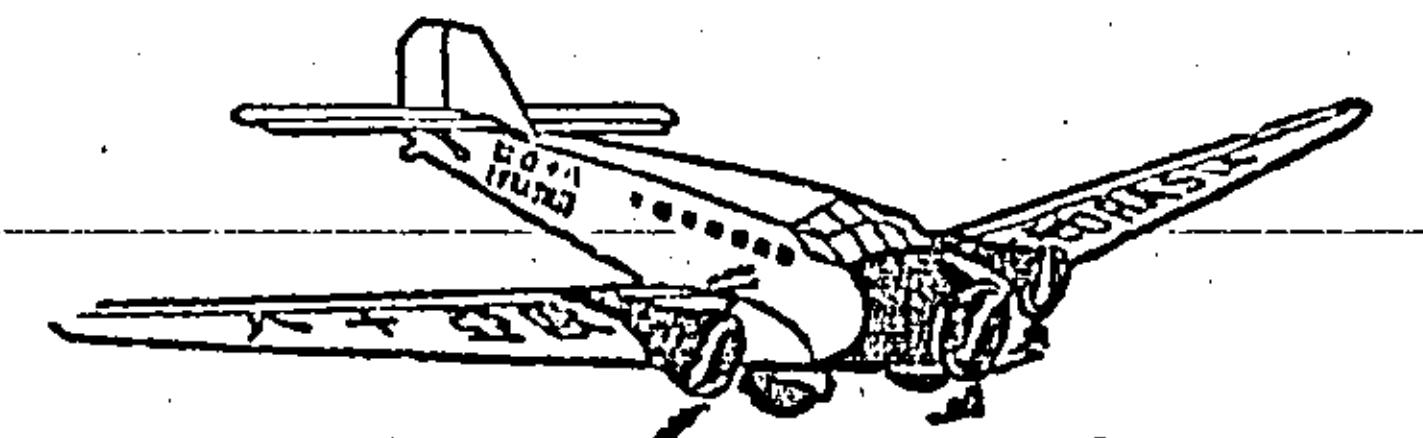
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MAID MEETS HER MILLIONAIRE

MR. Nusli Whaddia, 62-years-old rich Parsee cotton merchant, who left Bombay on January 16, arrived at Victoria Station, London, recently, and was met by Mr. Downs, his legal adviser.

They walked to the Grosvenor Hotel, where Mr. Whaddia said he intended to make a statement about his position and that of Miss Phyllis Britton, who has been staying as a guest at Glya House, his Epsom home.

"Until then I have nothing to say. I resent all this public intrusion in what is a very personal and private affair," he added.

Mr. Whaddia, who was smartly dressed in a grey "Eden" hat, wore a red carnation in his buttonhole. After waiting for 20 minutes in the lounge he was met by Miss Britton, who had been having her hair dressed.

"AT LAST"

A radiant smile spread over her face as she joined him. She said, "Oh, darling, here you are at last!"

They linked arms and walked quickly out of the hotel together and got into a black saloon car.

As they were driven away towards Epsom they kissed each other.

Mr. Whaddia's English wife, Mrs. Gertrude Whaddia, an actress, said,

"I have no intention of arranging a meeting with my husband. So far as I am concerned, the matter is in the hands of my solicitors."

Dictionary Kept Wife Silent For 20 Years

"To my wife's silence."

"That," said Mr. J. E. Manson recently, "should be the dedication of the French and English dictionary, which I have recently completed after a labour of 20 years."

"From 7.30 to 11.30 every night, she has not been able to speak to me. And if she had, I wouldn't have heard her."

"Believe me, I haven't been to the theatre more than six times in 20 years, and never to the cinema, though I'm a great lover of the drama. But in the last three months, since the book has been finished, I've broken out and spent three or four nights a week in one or the other."

5,000,000 WORDS

Mr. Manson, 68-year-old director of Harrop's, the publishers, held up a massive quarto volume, with 1,500 pages, containing 5,000,000 words.

"If you start to edit a dictionary you will find there is no time for anything else," he said.

"We started 20 years ago. We expected to produce the finished article in five years. We were so green."

"In 15 years we had got the French-English part out. It took another five years to complete the English-French part."

COST £50,000

"Sometimes long correspondence was necessary with French experts. We filled up 300,000 cards, each referring to some interpretation of a word or phrase."

"When I say we, I include my six or seven assistants."

"Their salaries have accounted for most of the £50,000 that the dictionary has cost."

"You can call it my life work if you wish. But I don't feel my life's work is done."

"I've got to keep the dictionary up to date. Phrases are translated into current idiom, not into out-of-date and archaic phraseology."

"But you can be sure my wife and I are setting out to enjoy ourselves now."

Coroner Questions Faith Healers

MRS. SYDNEY NIXON, wife of a chartered secretary, of Streely, near Birmingham, consulted a specialist last August and was told that she ought to have an operation for cancer.

She decided against it, preferring to put her trust in faith healing. She died without having had medical treatment for some months.

A verdict of death from cancer was returned at the inquest recently. The husband told the Coroner, Mr. Frank Cooper, that he had been a Christian Science student for ten years.

After his wife decided against an operation Christian Science practitioners were called in. No medicine or medical treatment was given.

DID NOT CALL DOCTOR

Mrs. Elfreda Harries, of Wyde Green, said she had been on the official list of Christian Science practitioners for 10 years.

The Coroner: What are the qualifications?

Mrs. Harries: You have to present evidence to directors in Boston, U.S., that you have sufficient experience in healing.

Coroner: I take it you do not believe in calling in medical men?

We keep the law of the land and call in doctors when the law requires.

Dr. A. B. Hodgson, of Four Oaks, said arrangements were made for an operation, but later Mr. Nixon wrote that his wife had decided against it.

The Coroner: If this operation had been performed can you say definitely that death would not have resulted?

No. The Coroner said that before a jury could return a verdict of manslaughter it must be established affirmatively that death would not have taken place had medical treatment been given. In view of the evidence such a verdict would not be justified.



Eurico Pentendo, left, financial attache of the Brazilian Embassy in Washington, and leading representative of the Brazilian coffee growers, meets the famous Oscar of the Waldorf, during a recent visit to the Waldorf-Astoria in New York. Oscar originated several coffee dishes, on that occasion, in honour of the distinguished visitor.

£5,000 Spent to 'Launch' A Debutante

SOCIETY mothers are spending as much as £5,000 on launching their young daughters into the whirl of the London "season."

This was revealed recently by Mrs. Horace Farquharson, silver-haired "social consultant."

From her bureau in Dover-street, Mayfair, she advises on Court etiquette, coming-out balls, and clothes for all the big events of the debs' social season.

School Refused To Sing 'The King'

NEWCASTLE (Staffs).

MR. W. Greene, Secretary of a Stoke colliery company, has protested to the British Legion because

Stoke, refused his daughter Eileen's request for the National Anthem to be sung at the end of the school's Christmas party.

Eileen, aged fifteen, is a pupil there.

"Even if it means that my girl becomes marked at school and I have to take her away, I am going to carry through with this matter," said Mr. Greene. "I am prepared to take my protest to the education committee."

THAT IS WHY

"I believe that the monarchical system is the basis of Britain's greatness. That is why I taught my girl to be patriotic. That is why she asked for 'God Save the King' to be sung at the end of the party."

"When she told me she was refused I felt the matter ought to be raised for the sake of other girls, even though it means my child possibly becoming uncomfortable at the school."

Miss A. E. Wilmott, headmistress of Brownhills since it was opened seventeen years ago, said that she remembered the incident.

"Eileen told me her father thought the National Anthem ought to be sung at the end of the party, but she asked me only a few hours before the party."

"I told her it was too late to alter the programme, which had been arranged by the sixth form girls. The party ended with 'Auld Lang Syne'."

"I said that Eileen and the two other girls with her could sing the National Anthem as an item at the party, but they did not."

"On the coming-out of each girl between £1,000 and £3,000 will be spent," said Mrs. Farquharson. "Some parents spend as much as £5,000."

"Clothes are a big item. While I could dress a deb. for the season in good style for £250, it is sometimes overdone to the tune of £1,000 to £1,500."

"At least seven evening gowns are essential. Most expensive is the Court presentation frock for which the lowest price is about £20."

One of the greatest problems of a hostess is the lack of eligible male partners.

"And that's where my aid is often enlisted," said Mrs. Farquharson.

"I have a list of well-bred young men who are ready to act as escorts at a moment's notice for a fee."

Gas Masks For 1,000,000 Babies

SIR JOHN ANDERSON, Minister for Civilian Defence, informed M.P.s recently that 40,000,000 gas masks had been issued during the last 12 months to the civilian population at a total cost of £4,000,000.

During the last six months a satisfactory device had been developed for years, and the production of all parts had been commenced except one, which was being pushed forward with all possible speed.

A special type of respirator had also been developed for infants over two years, and the purchase was being arranged. The total number to be made available was 1,100,000.

Sir John stated that the possibilities of constructing underground car parks which would also give some shelter protection had received his very careful consideration, in consultation with the Minister of Transport. He was arranging for immediate expert examination of certain technical problems involved.

HOSPITAL ACTIVITIES

Mr. Elliot, Minister of Health, announced that plans had been made for finding about 200,000 beds in existing hospitals and institutions in the first 24 hours of an emergency by sending patients home and transferring them to other accommodation and by putting additional beds and equipment in the wards.

Another 100,000 could be found later by using an ancillary part of hospitals not at present used as wards.

Local authorities were making good progress in securing the necessary transport for ambulance work. In London, for instance, 1,200 commercial vehicles had already been earmarked, and the work of earmarking a further 800 was proceeding rapidly.

Grew Beard, His Voice Returned

THIRTY-SIX years ago a singer lost his voice completely. He grew a beard. Now, at 76, his tenor voice is stronger than ever.

Recently the singer, Mr. J. W. Leach, of Blackpool, now beardless, sang at the birthday celebration dinner of Blackpool Dickensians.

Mr. Leach started to sing when he was eight. When he was 40 his voice went.

"I had to change my method of breathing and grow a beard," Mr. Leach said. "I persevered and my voice returned—better than ever."

Says 'My Party Was Speck In The Ocean'

A GAMBLING party hostess, known in the West End as "Madame Estelle," recently described the party for which she was fined £50 at Marlborough-street police court as "Just a speck in the ocean of West End gambling."

"Madame Estelle" has been famous in Mayfair for twenty years for her psychic powers. In private life she is Miss Frances Bergmann, aged forty-seven.

The police court story told how she polled her West End flat in the early morning last week and found twelve people playing roulette.

On a table were chips worth £27 16s. 6d. The windows were heavily screened with curtains.

Superintendent Cole said: "Miss Bergmann has been under our notice for some time. But as the parties are held in different parts of the West End, without previous notice except to the clients on the day of play, by telephone, it has given us a great deal of trouble to clear the matter up."

That night Miss Bergmann, dressed in a turquoise blue nylon evening dress, six jewelled rings on her fingers, a glittering pendant of twelve blue brilliants around her neck and more than a dozen gold and silver bracelets on her right arm, prepared to go to a West End party.

"I LOVE PARTIES"

She said: "All those who ever attended my gambling parties were my personal friends. Gambling is not my business, it was my pleasure."

Retired Men For
Shore Jobs

The Admiralty's recent call for volunteers among retired naval officers, particularly those retired when comparatively young under the reduction schemes of 1923 and 1933, has brought a big response from men whose heart was in the sea service and who were bitterly disappointed when their careers were compulsorily ended. Many of them now are in the early forties, and the use that the Navy will make of them will probably be to fill the many important executive positions in the shore establishments and thus release lieutenant commanders and commanders for active service afloat.

The naval depot, in each of which there is a daily population of 4,000 men under training, require a big executive staff not only for control and administration but for the actual work of teaching. Then, again, there are the naval schools, the specialist establishments like the gunnery, signal, and torpedo schools, which require considerable numbers of officers for administration and instructional duty. A certain number of the retired men who come back will get billets in ships, but it will mostly be in the reserve fleet. These vessels will probably be kept in future in a better state of readiness for service than has been possible during the past decade.

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H.K. Chartered	80 n.
Mercantile, A. & B.	27 1/2 n.
Mercantile, C. & S.	13 n.
East Asia	80 n.

INSURANCES

Canton	225 n.
Union	470 n.
China Underwriter	call pd. 1 1/2 n.
H.K. Fire	195 n.

SHIPPING

Douglas	68 b.
Steamboats	15 n.
Indo-China	60 n.
Indo-China	24 n.
Shell Benders	82/6 n.
Waterboats	9 n.

DOCKS ETC.

Wharves	118 1/2 n.
Docks	18 1/2 n.
Providents (old)	5.90 n.
Providents (new)	5.70 n.
New Eng. Sh.	6.00 n.
Sha. Docks, Sh.	105 n.

MINING

Kailan s/-	18 1/2 n.
Raub	8.35 n.
Venz: Goldfield	3 n.
Hongkong Mines	5 n.
Antamoks	42 1/2 n.
Atoks	39 n.
Baguio Gold	39 n.
Benquet	14.30 n.
Coco Grove	45 1/2 n.
Con Mines	0.025 n.
Demonstrations	15 n.
I.X.L. Ps.	17 1/2 n.
Gumaus	2.05 n.
San Maurice	2.05 n.
Suyce Consols	76 n.
Paracels	76 n.

LANDS

Hotels	6 n.
Lands	36 1/2 n.
Lands 4% deb.	107 1/2 n.
Shai Lands Sh.	8.55 n.
H.K. Realities	4.80 n.
Chinese Estates	100 n.

UTILITIES

Trams	10.00 n.
Peak Trams (old)	8 n.
Peak Trams (new)	4 n.
Star Ferries	87 1/2 n.
Y. Ferries (old)	25.30 n.
Y. Ferries (new)	24 n.
China Lights (old)	8.70 n.
China Light (new)	5 1/2 n.
H.K. Electric	50.90 n.
Macao Electric	18 1/2 n.
Sandakan Lights	11.10 n.
Telephones (old)	23 n.
Telephones (new)	7 1/2 n.
Traction s/-	22/6 n.
Traction (Pr.)	23/6 n.

INDUSTRIAL

Cald: Macg. (ord.)	Sh. 14.14 n.
Cald: Macg. (Fr.)	Sh. 13 n.
Canton Ice	1.1 b.
Cements	14 1/2 n.
H.K. Ropes	4.10 n.

STORES, &c.

Dairy Farms	23 1/2 n.
Watsons	80 n.
Sincere	1.80 n.
Lano Crawford	8 n.
Wing On	45 n.
Powell, Ltd. c/s	80 n.

COTTON MILLS

Ewo Sh.	18.75 n.
Shai Cotton Sh.	104 n.
Zong Sh.	34 n.
Wing On Textiles, Sh.	40 n.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that Vladimir Dmitrievich Ruminnoff of 130, Austin Rd., Kowloon, Hong Kong, is applying to the Governor for naturalization, and that any person who knows any reason why naturalization should not be granted should send a written and signed statement of the facts to the Colonial Secretary, Hong Kong.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-FOURTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company (since registration) will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, the 28TH MARCH, 1939, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31ST OCTOBER, 1938.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 18TH MARCH, 1939, to TUESDAY, the 28TH MARCH, 1939, both days inclusive. JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1939.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders

The Seventieth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the under- signed on Friday, the 24th March, 1939, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1938.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 10th to the 24th March, 1939, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.

General Managers, The Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 3rd March, 1939.

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders

THE FIFTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on THURSDAY, 23rd MARCH, 1939, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 13th March, 1939, to THURSDAY, the 23rd March, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, C. M. MANNERS, Secretary and Manager.

Hongkong, 4th March, 1939.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 12.30 p.m. Saturday, says: The market was quiet during the short session. The turnover was on a restricted scale at slightly lower prices than those ruling yesterday.

Yau-mat Ferries (Old) 25	
Canton Ice 20	
Wing On (H.K.) 45	
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2	
Union Insurance 400	
Providents (Old) 13.00	
H. & S. Hotels 80 1/2	
Telephones (Old) 23	
Cements 8 1/2	
Hongkong Bank 11 1/2	
Union Insurance 470	
H.K. Docks 110 1/2	
Providents (Old) 13.00	
H. & S. Hotels 80 1/2	
Yau-mat Ferries (Old) 25	
China Lights (Old) 8.70	
Antamoks 42 1/2	
Atoks 39	
Baguio Gold 39	
Benquet 14.30	
Coco Grove 45 1/2	
Con Mines 0.025	
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Gumaus 2.05	
San Maurice 2.05	
Suyce Consols 76	
Paracels 76	
Hotels 6	
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Berlin Adulation For Returning Fuehrer

BERLIN, Mar. 19. HERR HITLER arrived here by train at 6.30 p.m. amid tremendous shouting and the blare of trumpets.

He was welcomed on the platform by all the Reich Ministers, headed by Field-Marshal Hermann Goering, State secretaries, regional party leaders, and delegations of the Army and Party.

The station was decorated with swastika flags, and outside the station and along the Fuehrer's route were huge crowds.

Field-Marshal Goering in a speech of welcome declared that Herr Hitler had "restored to the past, but also the security of the German Reich."

He added that this was a proud day for the Fuehrer. It was impossible to thank him except by the sacred oath in the name of the German nation that they would never give away the great things they had attained.

"COURAGEOUS AND GREAT" "It is impossible for so heroic a leader to be backed by a people so courageous and great. Let this be the oath of all Germans: 'Sieg Heil!'"

All church bells were ordered by the leader of the Evangelical Church to ring from 6.45 to 7 p.m.

Fifty military bands were stationed at intervals along the route to Unter den Linden, where searchlights formed an arc of lights.

Herr Hitler's car proceeded very slowly between the dense cheering crowds to the Chancellery.

"The crowd at the Wilhelmstrasse was so enthusiastic that three times it broke the cordon of Black Guards and shouted for Hitler to appear on the balcony of the Chancellery."

Hitler appeared three times amid frenzied cheering, and then it was announced that "important conversations" prevented his reappearance.

"MY FUEHRER" Field-Marshal Hermann Goering made a speech of adulation to Herr Hitler when the Fuehrer arrived in Berlin after his visit to Czechoslovakia, according to the text of the address, which reads as follows: "My Fuehrer! It was just one year ago that the Reich capital extended to you its first enthusiastic reception."

"A stupendous deed had been accomplished. You, my Fuehrer, had brought your homeland back into the Reich."

"You had sent your troops into your homeland, not as conquerors, but as liberators."

"You, yourself, my Fuehrer, were the first, however, to enter this liberated land with your troops. And as you then returned to your Reich's capital, it was, perhaps, the happiest moment in your life. You had brought your homeland into the German Reich."

"Only a few months passed before destiny struck again, and you, my Fuehrer, understood its voice."

"For a second time you sent your troops to liberate German territory, and again those troops went as liberators, and again it was you, my Fuehrer, who were the first among them. You returned amidst jubilation to your Reich capital, and that was, perhaps, a proud day for you."

"With only a few months separating us from this event, destiny called and again you, my Fuehrer, understood."

JAPANESE ABANDON THE ATTACK ON KULING

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Chinese in Shanghai were killed by the Japanese.—Central News.

PAMPHLETS DROPPED

Shanghai, Mar. 20.

Chinese reports state that a squadron of Chinese planes on Friday night dropped leaflets at Hangchow urging the Chinese to join the guerilla bands.

Afterwards the planes bombed Chienchow aerodrome, demolishing several Japanese planes which were on the ground.

Other Chinese reports state that Japanese warships on Sunday heavily shelled Chienchow, gateway to Ningpo for four hours. It is estimated that 400 shells were fired and there were very heavy casualties.

It is also stated that simultaneous Japanese planes severely bombed Hangchow. However, details as to damage and casualties are lacking.—United Press.

JAPANESE VESSEL SUNK

Wanchiafow, Mar. 20.

A Japanese naval vessel was hit and sunk in the Poyang Lake near Wucheng, 11 miles southeast of Tschin on the bank of the lake in northern Kiangsi, as a result of a heavy gun battle with Chinese shore batteries yesterday.

Altogether 17 Japanese war vessels participated in the duel. About 200 Japanese landed at Yehichow, near Wucheng yesterday. They are reported to be engaged by the Chinese defenders there.—Central News.

CHINESE ATTACK PINCHU

Kinhwa, Mar. 20.

Taking advantage of the depletion of the Japanese forces, Chinese guerilla units launched an enveloping attack on Pinchun, northwest of Chingpo in northern Chekiang, on March 17.

Important points in the vicinity of the town are reported to have been captured by the Chinese. Communication between Pinchun and Shanghai has been cut.—Central News.

EFFECT OF INVASION ON HONGKONG CZECHS

(Continued from Page 1.)

kept away from the windows of their houses and pulled down Czech flags which the German authorities had ordered them to fly.

Members of the Czech Government had been ordered to witness the review and took their places beside the German civil and military authorities.

The parade, headed by General von Gablenz, lasted two hours, and comprised infantry, artillery and tanks, while several squadrons of planes flew low over the heads of the crowd.

Germans from all parts of Bohemia watched the spectacle. Only the Czech flag was visible in the centre of the city.—Reuter.

ARRESTS, SUICIDES MOUNT

Prague, Mar. 19.

The number of arrests and suicides here are reported to be increasing daily.

It is said that most of the several thousands arrested are German refugees from Austria and Sudetenland, political figures and journalists.

FRENCH AID FOR RUMANIA

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support of the western Powers, is contained in a "United Press" message from Bucharest.

The report says that M. Tila and M. Tatescu in their visits to London and Paris foreign offices, explained the difficult position of Rumania as a result of Germany's latest annexation.

It is stated that they described German progress in the south-east of Europe and also the weight of Germany's preponderance there, pointing out that with Bohemia and Slovakia, the Greater Reich will now have over 80 per cent. of Rumania's exports and imports.

RISK OF DISPLEASURE

It is understood they explained that Rumania has large German and Hungarian minorities whose feelings the Government must consider, and that, therefore, it would be most foolish to attract Germany's displeasure under such circumstances.

Even a promise of far-reaching support by western Powers would hardly induce Rumania more or less entering the orbit of German influence, whereas Germany might be willing to protect Rumania to a certain extent against Hungarian and Bulgarian revisionist tendencies.

They are reported to have emphasized this does not mean that Rumania does not wish to continue economic collaboration and friendly relations with other Powers.

VERY GREAT RISKS

M. Pemfil Scheleacu, editor of the "Curierul" to-day, declared that "Germany wants economic collaboration and close friendly relations with Rumania."

He explained that strained relations with Germany would involve very great risks.

Friendship, on the other hand, did not imply vassalage, or an economic protectorate, but a "sentiment of mutual confidence and satisfaction in their interests, which are supplementary to one another."

As censorship is very strict in Rumania, such an article is regarded as reflecting the Government's view, or at least, not being contrary to its view.

TRUST IN KING

Other newspapers in Rumania carefully refrain from expressing any opinions on Rumania's international policy. They emphasise the necessity of preserving calmness and trust in King Carol.

It is characteristic that while the entire press, apropos Mr. Chamberlain's speech, largely comments on friction among the democracies, not one of them expresses its own opinion on the speech.—United Press.

G.O.C.'s Wife Arriving

Mrs. W. G. S. Dobble, wife of the G.O.C. in Singapore, Major-General Dobble, accompanied by Miss Dobble, will arrive in Hongkong at 6.30 a.m. to-morrow by the transport Lancashire.

While in Hongkong, they will stay with Major-General Grasett, General Officer Commanding, Hongkong, and Mrs. Grasett. They will return to Singapore by the Lancashire on April 2.

DARING ROBBERY

Repulse Bay Residents Suffer Heavily

Possibly a daring coup by a single man, valuable articles and money to the total value of \$2,275 were stolen from "Post Bridge," a house at Repulse Bay, in the early hours of yesterday morning. No details of the theft could be obtained last night.

Goods that were stolen included a woman's fur coat valued at \$1,184, a silver fox fur valued at \$250, a grey fox fur valued at \$100, a man's gold watch and chain valued at \$352, a set of gold and green mother of pearl enamel cuff links and waistcoat buttons valued at \$80, a blue shirt with plain gold cuff links in the shirt valued at \$64, a gold stud valued at \$15, a pair of eye glasses valued at \$180, a pair of light tortoise shell eye glasses valued at \$25, a pair of tortoise shell eye glasses with case valued at \$25, an overcoat valued at \$138, a fountain pen valued at \$11, a grey suit hat valued at \$25, a pair of Roft field glasses in a leather case valued at \$240, and \$100 in Hongkong currency.

CONVENT'S PLAY

Final Presentation of "Alice in Wonderland"

This evening at 5.30 in the Theatre of the French Convent School, Causeway Bay, the members of the St. Paul Recreation Club will for the fifth and last time present a dramatized version of Lewis Carroll's fanciful story "Alice in Wonderland."

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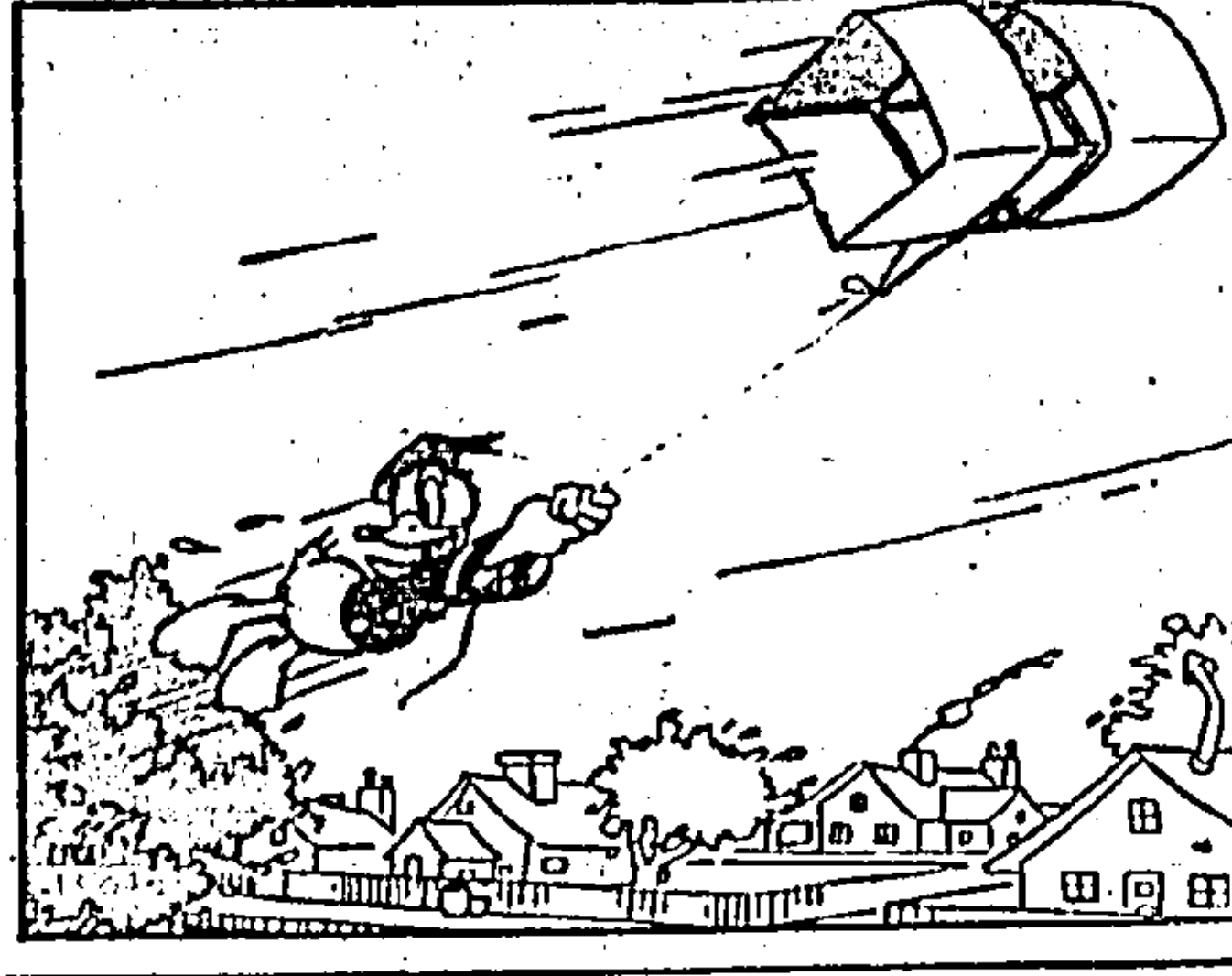
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The Trader says that the past week saw the third serious war scare in six months since September of last year.

The September liquidating movement showed a daily average of 955,000 shares; in January 908,000 shares and 858,000 shares, thus far, in the current scare. Should trading dry-up next week, the inference would be that the latest war jitters are less potent than previously, particularly if the average is held above the January lows.

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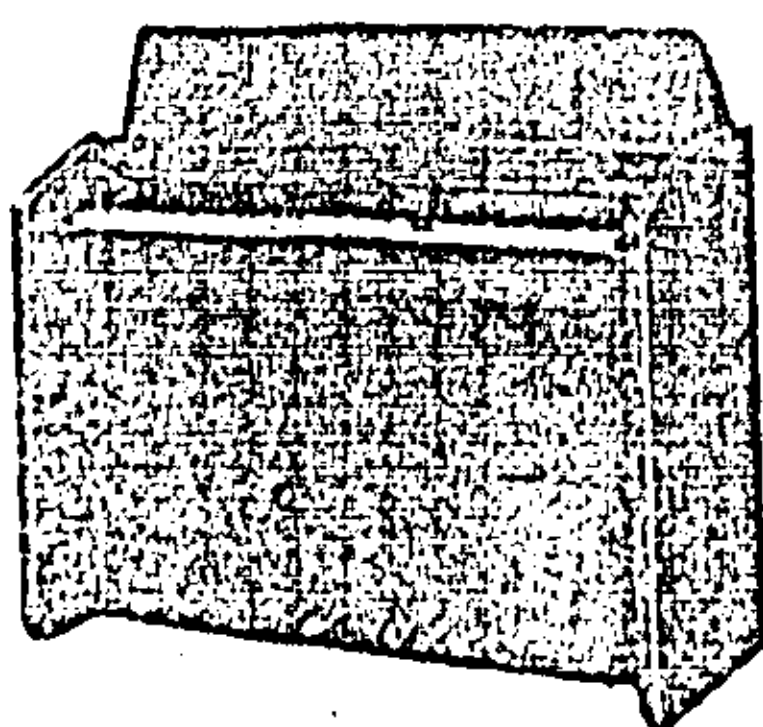
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Peace or War?

IT WOULD BE wholly premature to speculate upon the kind of action that is being weighed by the Democracies as a result of Herr Hitler's latest coup. Although the Press is not yet privy to the course Great Britain, France and United States will decide upon, it does not go far wrong in assuming that events in Europe have begun to move into their real perspective; one that, incidentally, differs greatly from that Mr. Chamberlain gained at Munich. That a genuine effort will be initiated, to establish a constructive basis for the future composition of anti-Totalitarian policy may also be taken as a definite assumption. Everyone realises now that if peace is to be forged in Europe it must be not merely peace with honour but peace with justice, which the conscience of the world can accept as such.

While it would be idle and premature to speculate upon future action-by-Britain, France and the United States, speculation about Germany's future course becomes certain if "Mein Kampf" is really to be recognised as the German bible.

"We National Socialists stop the eternal drive to the south and west, and throw our eyes on the land to the east," Herr Hitler wrote. "The frontiers of States are fashioned by men and changed by men. The German Reich must, as a State, include all Germans. Only the might of a victorious sword will give us more land."

The drive to the east cannot remain content with present acquisitions. It is certain that Hungary's seizure of Ruthenia does not fit in with Hitler's plans and that the two great prizes now are Rumania and the Ukraine; in the latter case, Ruthenia stands in the way. Rumania Hitler needs for its vast oil deposits, the Ukraine for its thousands of square miles of waving wheat-fields. The acquisition of both will truly make the Greater Reich omnipotent in Europe.

Whatever objective Herr Hitler pursues in future—and few people can believe that aggression will end with the conquest of Czechoslovakia—it cannot now be said that any lingering impression of doubt remains in the German mind that the British Government will not remain inactive. In the past, the conviction that Britain would never intervene in a Central European conflict has been almost an article of faith with many Germans, as it was in 1914 regarding Belgium and France.

Mr. Chamberlain's speech at Birmingham and the almost overwhelming unanimity of opinion of the British Press—which must be regarded as the mouthpieces of the British people—should suffice to change that belief. It would be the most serious of all misunderstandings in the future if the impression remains in Germany that Britain will disinterest herself in any further depredations.

The one wish of the British people is for peace. We believe that peace is desired by the mass of German people, certainly by the German people overseas with whom we have spoken. But peace will not be preserved if coercion and assimilation of small nations by a powerful neighbour continues.

The most certain outcome of any further attempt to carry out the tenets of "Mein Kampf" will be war.

"I ASKED HITLER QUESTIONS"

THIS ARTICLE DEALS WITH HIS ATTITUDE TO BRITAIN. TO-MORROW HE WILL TALK ABOUT ITALY . . .



Q. Many people in England are friendly to Germany. The "Cliveden Set" is said to be so. What do you think of English "pro-Germans"?

A. "There exists no English, American or Italian statesman who was ever pro-German. . . . So anybody who thinks he can establish alliances with foreign nations on the 'pro-German' sentiment of their leading statesmen is either an ass or a liar." (p. 698.)

Q. Can there ever be friendship between Germany and England?

A. "The condition for chaining the lot of two peoples together is never based in mutual esteem or sympathy, but in the prospect that it will be of some purpose for the two contracting parties. That means: however much an English politician pursues a pro-English policy and never a pro-German, all the same quite definite interests of this pro-English policy can be identified with pro-German interests for various reasons. Of course this need be the case only to a certain extent and can one day become exactly the opposite." (p. 698.)

"If we seek allies in Europe from this point of view only two States remain: England and Italy." (p. 699.)



Q. With what purpose?

A. "Germany's alliance would make it possible to make undisturbed those preparations which . . . must be made for settling accounts with France." (p. 755.)

Q. But what do you think are the purposes of British policy, then?

A. "The traditional tendency of British diplomacy . . . since Queen Elizabeth's time runs according to plan: to prevent by every means the rise of any European Power above the level of the general ranks of Powers and, if necessary, to break it by military attack." (p. 691.)

"This appears to be the condition for establishing a British world hegemony." (p. 696.)

Q. What do you think Britain's intentions towards Germany are?

A. "England does not want Germany to be a world Power; France wants no country at all which calls itself Germany. A very important difference." (p. 699.)

Q. What methods does Britain use for this end?

A. "No people has prepared its economic conquests with greater brutality by the sword than the English people, and defended them with regard for nobody."

"Is it not the characteristic of British political skill to extract economic advantages from its political power and to transform at once every economic strengthening back into political power?" (p. 158.)

Q. Was the great war a mistake for England?

A. "Actually England did not achieve her war object. Not only did she fail to prevent the rise of a European Power (France) above the balance of the Continental State-system of

Europe, but established it in an enhanced degree." (p. 695.)

Q. What should Germany have done in 1914?

A. "If one wanted territory in Europe this could come about only at the expense of Russia. . . . For such a policy there was only one possible ally in Europe—England. Only together with England could one protect one's back and begin the new German drive." (p. 164.)

Q. Would that have been right?

A. "The right to do so would have been no less than the right of our forefathers. None of our pacifists refuses to eat the bread of the East, although our first plough was a sword." (p. 164.)

Q. To return to the present. Do you want colonies?

A. "The German people possesses no moral right to take part in colonial activity as long as it cannot even embrace its own sons in a common State."

"Our Jewish Press always understood how to concentrate hate, especially on England. Thus many a good German noodle . . . chattered of the 'refortifying' of German sea power, protested against the robbery of our colonies, demanded their restoration and so helped to deliver the material which the Jewish rascal could then pass on to his racial brother in England for practical propaganda use."

"To direct Germany's national force to these ends, without beforehand fully securing our position in Europe, was madness—even before the war." (p. 706.)

[Author's note: One asks here, does Hitler consider Germany's position in Europe now secured?]

"The right way then (before the war) would have been: strengthening of Continental power by winning new territory in Europe."

"Through that very process supplementation through later colonial territories jumped into the realm of the naturally possible."

"This policy would of course have been practicable only in alliance with England." (p. 690.)



"I remember how astounded were the faces of my comrades in Flanders when we first came up against 'Tommies' . . ."

Q. Do you want England's possessions?

A. "England will lose India only if its administrative machinery falls prey to racial decomposition, or if it is conquered by the sword of a mighty enemy. . . . We Germans have learned well enough how hard it is to conquer England. Quite apart from the fact that as a German I prefer always to see India under English mastery than under any other." (p. 757.)

Q. You obtained permission to build up German submarine strength to the level foreseen in the Anglo-German Naval Agreement. Do you mean to start a naval race?

A. "The fact that we have not to fight about sea power to-day should gradually dawn even in the minds of our political simpletons." (p. 706.)

Q. What is your naval policy?

A. "A fleet which from a purely numerical standpoint cannot be brought to the same level as its prospective enemy must try to substitute overwhelming fighting power of individual ships in place of its lack of numbers. The superior fighting power is the important thing, not a mythical superiority in 'quality.'" (p. 299.)

Q. What are your views on voluntary or compulsory national service in England?

A. "What a mistake to think England too cowardly to shed its blood for its economic policy (in 1914)."

"That England had no 'people's army' in no way proved the contrary. For the contemporary military form of the defence forces does not matter so much as the will and determination to use existing forces."

"England always possessed the armament it needed. It always fought with the weapon which success demanded. It struck with mercenaries as long as mercenaries were enough."

"However, it dipped also deep into the valuable blood of the whole nation when only such a sacrifice could bring victory."

"But the determination to fight, and obstinacy combined with single-minded leadership, have always remained the same." (p. 158.)

Q. What do you think of British troops?

A. "I remember how astounded were the faces of my comrades in Flanders when we first came up against 'Tommies.' After a few days fighting the conviction dawned in everybody's mind that the Scots were not exactly the same as those described for us in comic papers and articles." (p. 159.)

More To-Morrow

Employer And Cook: 2 Divorces

A COUNTRY-HOUSE cook's association with her employer, who also employed her husband as butler, led to the Divorce Court recently.

The butler, Mr. Frank Quinn, now serving in the R.A.F. at Grantham (Lines), was granted a decree nisi with £1,200 agreed damages against the co-respondent, Mr. William Edward Lawrence Hodson.

The wife, Mrs. Sylvia Annie Quinn, and the co-respondent did not contest the charge against them.

Mr. and Mrs. Quinn, who have one child, were married at Nottingham register office in March, 1935. In July of the following year they went into service at Bradbourne Hall, Bradbourne, Derbyshire, the husband as butler, and later he heard of her adultery with Mr. Hodson.

The case for Mr. Quinn was that trouble began between his wife and himself after Easter last year, and in May he left. His wife remained at the Hall, and later he heard of her adultery with Mr. Hodson.

ANOTHER DECREE

Sir Boyd Merriam also granted a decree nisi to Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Hodson, of Edgill, Heathfield, Sussex, the wife of Mr. Hodson, because of the husband's adultery with Mrs. Quinn, this suit also being undefended.

The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Hodson took place in 1921, and they lived at Bradbourne Hall and other places. They have two children.

Sir Boyd Merriam gave Mrs. Hodson the custody of the children, and awarded costs against her husband in both petitions. He also ordered him to pay the damages into court within 14 days.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"I notice you're a bit crowded—might I suggest a drink that will put one or two of you under the table?"

NO FAITH IN POWERS' GUARANTEE

Norway Will Seek Own Preservation

OSLO, Mar. 19.
NORWAY WILL not request or seek her security to be guaranteed by Great Britain or any other group of Powers, declared M. C. J. Hambro, President of the Norwegian Parliament in an address to-day, in which he emphasised Norway's determination to preserve her neutrality.

M. Hambro referred to the proposal made in the British House of Commons that Great Britain should guarantee the independence of the Scandinavian countries.

He stated: "We have never believed in the value of such guarantees, and to-day, faith in promises of support from other Powers is weaker than ever before."

"Our neutrality policy cannot be based on false feelings of security which would arise as a result of such a guarantee, but must be founded on our own ability and will to defend our neutrality against all sides. One-sided neutrality ceases to be neutrality."

He concluded with the remark that the Norwegian will for neutrality could be best expressed in times of peace through strengthening their defence forces, since it was only thus that a feeling of security in Europe can be strengthened.—Trans-Ocean.

POLAND'S CONFIDENCE

Warsaw, Mar. 19.
President Moscicki, broadening to-day, emphasised Poland's confidence in the strength of her army, and concluded with the words: "We have created a free and independent Poland, and it shall remain independent and self-reliant, and we shall not entrust our future to anybody's protection."—Reuter Special.

Houseboy Gave Himself Up Robbed European Employers

MR. AND MRS. L. E. LAMMERT of 35 Hankow Road, Kowloon, were at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning as complainants in a larceny case against their cookboy, Tang Hok-fu, who was charged before Mr. E. Himsforth with theft of \$80.23.

Detective Sub-Inspector R. Cunningham said that the defendant had been employed by Mr. and Mrs. Lammert for over a year.

It was customary for Mrs. Lammert to check whatever bills came from the comrade. At the end of February she checked a bill for \$80.23 and signed it.

The defendant took the bill to Mr. Lammert's office in Hongkong and collected the money on March 14 and then absconded. It was then found out that another store had been issuing goods in the name of Mr. Lammert, who had no business connections with the store.

On March 17, the defendant returned to the house of Mr. Lammert and asked to be forgiven for what he had done.

He was advised to go to the police and this he did. He was arrested. Mr. Himsforth: What did you do with the money?

The defendant: Half of the money was cheated from me by a friend. I spent \$10 and there is still \$20. I gave the \$20 to my wife and I have \$50 at me.

RATHER A SHOCK

Mr. Himsforth: I suppose he will lose his job.

Mr. Lammert: Well, one doesn't like to be hard on him, but I can't see how anything else could have been in view of other items that have been involved. He has always been honest before and very helpful. It is rather a shock for this to happen now.

Mr. Himsforth bound the defendant over in \$10 to be of good behaviour for a year and ordered him to pay the complainant, through the Court, \$80.23. If the defendant could not remit the money he would have to serve two months' hard labour.

As the defendant said that he thought he could raise the money, Mr. Himsforth remanded him for 24 hours to give him time to find the money.

Before remanding the defendant, Mr. Himsforth said that he might vary his order for the repayment of the money by monthly instalments.

DIYOT STILL MISSING

Tientsin, Mar. 20.
Mr. H. F. Diyot, the kidnapped Chairman of the British Chamber of Commerce, has not yet returned.

Meanwhile, British and American consular officials have requested their nationals to evacuate the Japanese-controlled areas.—United Press.

HOPE TO GROW PLUMS

Five plum trees have arrived at the Royal Horticultural Society's gardens, Wisley, Surrey, on Nelson, B. C. Scientists hope to be able to grow the trees on English soil.

LEAGUE OF PEACE LOVING COUNTRIES

LONDON, MAR. 19.

IT IS LEARNED THAT THE CABINET YESTERDAY AGREED THAT THERE SHOULD BE AN IMMEDIATE CONTACT BETWEEN GREAT BRITAIN AND PEACE-LOVING COUNTRIES ALL OVER THE WORLD.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain left Downing Street at 5.50 p.m. to-day and drove to Buckingham Palace for an audience with the King, to whom he reported on the latest developments in the European situation.

Two or three hundred people were in Downing Street and cheered the Premier as he drove away.

The Premier remained with the King for just over an hour, and then drove back to Downing Street.

CABINET MEET CALLED

Viscount Halifax re-visited Downing Street at 4.45 p.m. and remained for two hours with the Prime Minister.

A Cabinet meeting will be held to-morrow. Viscount Halifax, Sir Kingsley Wood, and Mr. Oliver Stanley called this morning to see the Premier, while Lord Chatfield, and Sir Thomas Inskip called this afternoon.

Viscount Halifax and Mr. Oliver Stanley paid a second visit in the afternoon.

SOVIET ENVOY ACTIVE

It is also reported that M. Maisky, the Soviet Ambassador, spent half an hour with Viscount Halifax at the Foreign Office this afternoon.

Sir Neville Henderson arrived in London this afternoon, and he drove straight to the Foreign Office where he had an interview, lasting forty-five minutes, with Viscount Halifax.

In pursuance of his instructions to return to report to Berlin, the German Ambassador, Herr von Dirksen left London this afternoon for Berlin.—Reuter.

Anglo-French-Russian Conference Favoured

LONDON, Mar. 19.

ALTHOUGH VARIOUS disclaimers have been received from Berlin and Bucharest with regard to Germany's alleged commercial demands against Rumania, the possibility of a German threat to Rumania is not to be regarded as dismissed, writes a diplomatic observer.

The conclusions reached by the British Government as a result of numerous diplomatic and ministerial conversations over the week-end will not be known until Mr. Chamberlain and Viscount Halifax make considered statements to-morrow in the House of Commons and House of Lords respectively.

Mr. Chamberlain conferred with the King for one hour to-day, and also with Lord Chatfield and all the other defence Ministers.

DEFENCE ACCELERATION

It is learned that one result of yesterday's Cabinet meeting was the decision for an immediate and big acceleration in the re-armament programme.

A further Cabinet meeting has been held for to-morrow morning. Meanwhile it is evident that Britain and France will not be taken unawares by a further German coup. In non-official quarters, a conference between Britain, France, America, and Russia is favoured, in order to frame a general policy to which the Balkan States can be asked to subscribe.

Chinese Chaffeurs Murdered

Shanghai, Mar. 20.
International Settlement taxi companies have discontinued the service to Hongkong as a result of two Chinese chaffeurs being murdered in Hongkong during the past week.

The "North China Daily News" said to-day that police circles presumed that Japanese and Korean ransoms were responsible for the murders, this being part of a campaign to discourage foreign competition with Japanese taxis and buses operating in Hongkong.—United Press.

Spelling Bee

HOW many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?
gravaman pedometer
grainsell scullion
grainsell scullion
English Oxford Dictionary spellings of these words will be found on page 9.

It is understood that the possibility of collaboration between Britain, France and Russia was discussed in general terms during M. Maisky's call on Viscount Halifax to-day.—Reuter.

FULL POWERS FOR DALADIER

Paris, Mar. 19.
The Senate has voted M. Daladier full powers by 206 votes to 17.—Reuter.

FRENCH ENVOY LEAVES

Berlin, Mar. 19.
The French Ambassador is leaving for Paris to-night to report on the Central European situation.—Reuter.

STRONG SOVIET NOTE

Moscow, Mar. 19.
In the course of a note to Germany refusing to recognise the legal validity of the German action in Czechoslovakia, M. Maxim Litvinov, the Soviet Foreign Minister declares that the Czechoslovak Republic has been one of the few European States where internal tranquillity and a peaceable foreign policy were really secured.

The note declines to believe that any people, who for hundreds of years fought to independence, would voluntarily agree to its destruction after gaining that freedom.—Reuter.

NO DEMOBILISATION

Paris, Mar. 19.
The French Cabinet meeting began at 6.50 p.m. and ended at 8.45 p.m.
A communique issued at its conclusion stated that M. Daladier fully outlined the first decree under the Full Powers Bill, which will be submitted to the Council of Ministers at 6 p.m. to-morrow, and immediately put into execution.

It is reported that half of the military class due to be demobilised in April will remain with the colours. Another report says that it is rumoured that France is calling up military technicians from three classes.

PRAGUE QUIET

Prague, Mar. 19.
Foreign correspondents in Prague, to whom reports of ultimatum, emergency meetings of Cabinets, and growing tension trickle through, are under the impression that Prague to-day, four days after its occupation, is the quietest spot in Europe. The population, whose defiance of the Germans has not lessened with

Another New Clipper

Boeing Arrival Set For Next Friday

THE PAN AMERICAN AIRWAYS super-Clipper flying boat No. 19, the second to be finished by the Boeing Corporation, is due to arrive at Hongkong at 12.30 p.m. on Friday.

The giant 74-passenger plane is carrying a crew of eleven. The flight is in the nature of a test one, only mail and freight, and no passengers being carried.

The first passenger flight of the super-Clippers to Hongkong will be the first week in April, leaving San Francisco on March 29.

The local office of the company to-day confirmed the report that two of the new Clippers have been definitely assigned to the Hongkong service.

AIR MAIL DELAY

Already two days late, the air mail has been delayed another day and is now expected to reach Kai Tak at 5 p.m. to-morrow.

"Melody Bee" From Studio

To-morrow commencing at 9 p.m., ZBW will conduct a "Melody Bee," the first of its kind ever attempted in Hongkong.

The "Melody Bee" is conducted upon similar lines to a "Spelling Bee" but instead of spelling words the question is to guess the tunes. Two teams, the Fines and Sharps, have been chosen whilst the compe will be "Eeyore."

Over a dozen tunes will be given. The opening bars of a tune will be played and the members of the teams will be given 30 seconds in which to guess its name and also name the composer.

One mark will be given for the correct name and one mark for the correct name of the composer.

Barcelona Killing Is Disclosed

Barcelona, Mar. 19.
Barcelona police have discovered in a hiding place, the bodies of 24 doctors and nurses who had been missing.

They had apparently been shot by the Republicans shortly before the capture of Barcelona.—Trans-Ocean.

HANDBAG SNATCHED

While standing outside the King's College, Bonham Road, yesterday, Mrs. R. Langley, of St. John Ambulance Headquarters, had her handbag snatched by an unknown Chinese. The bag and its contents were valued at \$47.

The R.M.S. Empress of Asia arrived at Nagasaki on Saturday at 3.30 p.m. and left at 7 a.m. yesterday. She is due at Shanghai at 12.30 p.m. to-day, and leaves for Hongkong at 7.30 a.m. to-morrow.

the gradual return to normalcy, is giving the whole affair "silent treatment", and making the best of it. Throughout the occupation, the German army has observed perfect discipline, and there have been no reports of excesses by troops of any category or at any time.

Many Czechs complain of the activities of Nazis, either German or Sudeten, some in uniform and others not, who have been demanding to see credentials on the street, and molesting small shopkeepers.

Arrests and seizures continue, as well as the rush for border passes and foreign visas.—United Press.

CANCELLATION OF TRADE PACT URGED

London, Mar. 20.
Commenting on the Anglo-German trade agreement signed last week by delegations of the Federal of German Industries and the Reichsgruppe Industrie, the "Financial News" says that the agreement is held to be irreconcilable with the spirit of the Anglo-American trade agreement, and regarded as a means of helping Germany out of her economic difficulties created by her re-armament programme.

It is urged, therefore, that the British Government cancel the agreement, and proceed forthwith to adopt vigorous methods to combat Germany's desperate drive for exports.—Reuter Special.

FIGHTING CONTINUES

Ruthenians Defend Their Homeland

WARSAW, Mar. 19.
SANGUINARY CLASHES between Hungarian troops and the Ruthenian defence organisation "Sic" continued to-day, according to reports from special correspondents.

It is declared that the Hungarians have adopted more cautious tactics, and are advancing slowly, taking no chances. Orders have been given that any Ukrainian caught with a weapon in his hand is to be shot on sight.

A pitched battle took place near Radevo during which the Hungarians lost ten soldiers.

A Hungarian company advanced into an ambush and was machine-gunned, but the Ukrainians were finally driven across the Rumanian frontier.

According to reports, the Hungarians lost 100 men and the Ukrainians 70 in a battle for the possession of the capital of the district of Hus.

The Ukrainians were in the majority, but lacked adequate weapons and ammunition. They were finally forced to retreat across a swamp in which many sank and were drowned.

Before the arrival of the Hungarians, the Ukrainians were said to have massed a considerable number of Czechs.—Trans-Ocean.

TROOPS POUR ACROSS THE FRONTIER

Munkacs, Mar. 19.
Hungary is still pouring troops into Ruthenia despite completion of the occupation of territory.

Trains carrying troops are leaving here for Ruthenia three times every hour.

Great activity prevails, not only here, but all along the frontier between Hungary and the former Czechoslovakia.

Young men called to the colours are hastening to rejoin their regiments, while peasants, with horses and carts carrying hay, are making for the mobilisation centres.

It is stated that during the occupation of Ruthenia, the Hungarians lost 200 dead, and a much larger number wounded.

No serious incidents have been reported since completion of the occupation, and troops are engaged in policing the country.—Reuter Special.

HUNGARIANS CREATE NEW CAPITAL

Budapest, Mar. 19.
M. Andreas Brody, the new Premier of Ruthenia, was received by the Hungarian Premier, Count Teleki to-day.

During the conversation an agreement was reached for Ruthenia to receive far-reaching autonomy. It was further decided that Munkacs will become the new capital of Ruthenia.—Trans-Ocean.

OFFICIAL ROME VISIT

Rome, Mar. 19.
All the papers here report that M. Teleki and M. Csoiky, the Hungarian Premier and Foreign Minister respectively, are paying an official visit to Rome from April 13 to April 15.—Reuter Special.

Gratitude Of Shameen

Navy's Work In Saving Concession

CANTON, Mar. 20.

AS AN EXPRESSION of their gratitude for the strenuous and successful efforts of the British navy to save Shameen from being reduced to ashes by fire in the critical days of last October, a silver plaque has been presented to the commander of the West River Flotilla by members of the British Association in Canton.

The presentation took place aboard H.M.S. "Tarantula" on the eve of the gunboat's departure for Hongkong for re-commissioning, and was made by Mr. A. E. Smith, local manager of Jardines, and President of the Association.

It was recalled that at the end of October, when Canton city resembled one vast raging inferno, British blue-jackets and Shameen residents kept watch day and night in order to prevent buildings on the island from catching fire.—Reuter.

8-YEAR-OLD CHILD

Serious Charge Against Coolie

THE ALLEGATION that a girl only eight years of age was the victim of a man's lust was made in the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

A thirty-one-year-old earth coolie, Lam Leung, appeared in Court.

Against him the charge was preferred of having defiled the girl at Mongkok last Wednesday.

Only formal evidence of arrest was given, the man being remanded for a week on the application of the police.

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Christopher Columbus

America's Discoverer Takes Last Voyage

CIUDAD TRUJILLO,

Mar. 19.

THE REMAINS of Christopher Columbus have been ceremoniously removed from the marble crypt at the San Domingo Cathedral, where they had been interred since 1541.

The ceremony was carried out in the presence of Dominican officials and a delegation of United States Congressmen.

An official photograph was taken of the remains, which are under an air-tight glass.

The remains will be immured in the \$5,000,000 Columbus Memorial Lighthouse when it is completed in 1942.—United Press.

Christopher Columbus died on May 20, 1506. After the funeral service at Valladolid his remains were transferred to the Carthusian monastery of Santa Maria de las Cuevas in Seville, where the bones of his son Diego were also laid.

Exhumed in 1542, the bodies of both father and son were taken over sea to Hispaniola and interred in the Cathedral of San Domingo. According to "Encyclopaedia Britannica," however, they no longer remain in San Domingo but were re-transferred to Seville after the Spanish-American War of 1898.

The present heir and representative of the famous explorer is the Duke of Veragua.

The Canadian Pacific round-the-world cruise liner Empress of Britain arrived at Ball on Sunday at 6 a.m., and leaves to-day at 6 p.m. she is due at Batavia on Wednesday.

Constable On Serious Charge

Amerik Singh, 39, L.S.B. 380, a police officer, was charged before Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Magistracy to-day on four charges of accepting bribes and four of misconduct as a police officer.

Mr. E. G. Post, of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, applied for the case to be adjourned for 24 hours and had his application granted.

Singh was accused of having accepted, at the Mongkok market on March 17 a bribe of 60 cents from one named Wong Wai, a bribe of \$1.20 from one named Yip Yeung, a bribe of \$1.20 from one named Yip Sau, a bribe of 60 cents from one named Lui Tam. He was also alleged to have misappropriated himself as a police officer by receiving the gratuities.

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ENGLAND XI FINISH POORLY AFTER A GOOD START

Chinese Enter Final Of 'Sunday Herald' Charity Cup Soccer Competition

(By "Abe")

The "Sunday Herald" International Charity Cup match between China and England at Caroline Hill yesterday started full of promise but ended on a farcical note, and a record crowd saw play deteriorate until it became a very mediocre game indeed.

After conceding a goal in the seventh minute, China recovered and finally won by four goals to one. The margin of victory might have been wider had the Chinese forwards gone all out in the second half; but victory being already assured, they were content merely to play around.

The English team started so well that the hopes of their supporters must have been raised very high; but after scoring the first goal, their attacks were checked, and when the Chinese forwards took a hand in the game, there was never any doubt regarding the final issue. The English defenders played well right to the end, but the forwards were extremely ragged in their methods after the first 20 minutes or so, and thereafter they seldom got within shooting distance.

Hartley stopped three red-hot drives from Lee Wal-tong in the first half, and in getting to one of them he injured his left hand. This injury prevented him from appearing at his best, and he let in three more goals, at least one of which he could have stopped normally.

ENGLAND'S FINE START

When the game commenced, there was thrust in the English attack, and with the halves backing up well, the Chinese had some anxious moments. In the first five minutes, England nearly scored only the timely intervention of Hou Yung-sung saving a goal. The ball had nearly reached the goal-line when the right back ran across to clear.

Nevertheless, the Englishmen deservedly went ahead in the seventh minute when Emberson met a corner-kick taken by Duffield and bent Tam Kwan-kon all ends up.

At this stage of the game, the Englishmen were the better side. The Chinese attempts to get their forwards moving were stymied by the splendid positioning of the English defenders, who had little difficulty in collecting the passes which were meant for the Chinese forwards.

However, the phase did not last. In a Chinese attack Fung King-cheung found himself unmarked, and calmly shot to the corner. Before this, Lee Wal-tong had sent in several terrific drives which were neatly anticipated by the English goal-keeper.

Then with the scores tied at 1-1, Hartley hurt his hand. First Lee Wal-tong scored, and then the Chinese the lead, and then Lai Shu-wing added the third from close in.

SECOND HALF

Starting the second half with a 3-1 lead, the Chinese were never in danger of losing it. The defence

Record Crowd At Game Yesterday

It is learned that the crowd watching the China v. England International match at Caroline Hill yesterday was a record one for the "Sunday Herald" Cup series.

A total sum of \$3,041 was collected in gate receipts. This beats the previous record of \$2,900 for the match between China and Scotland last year.

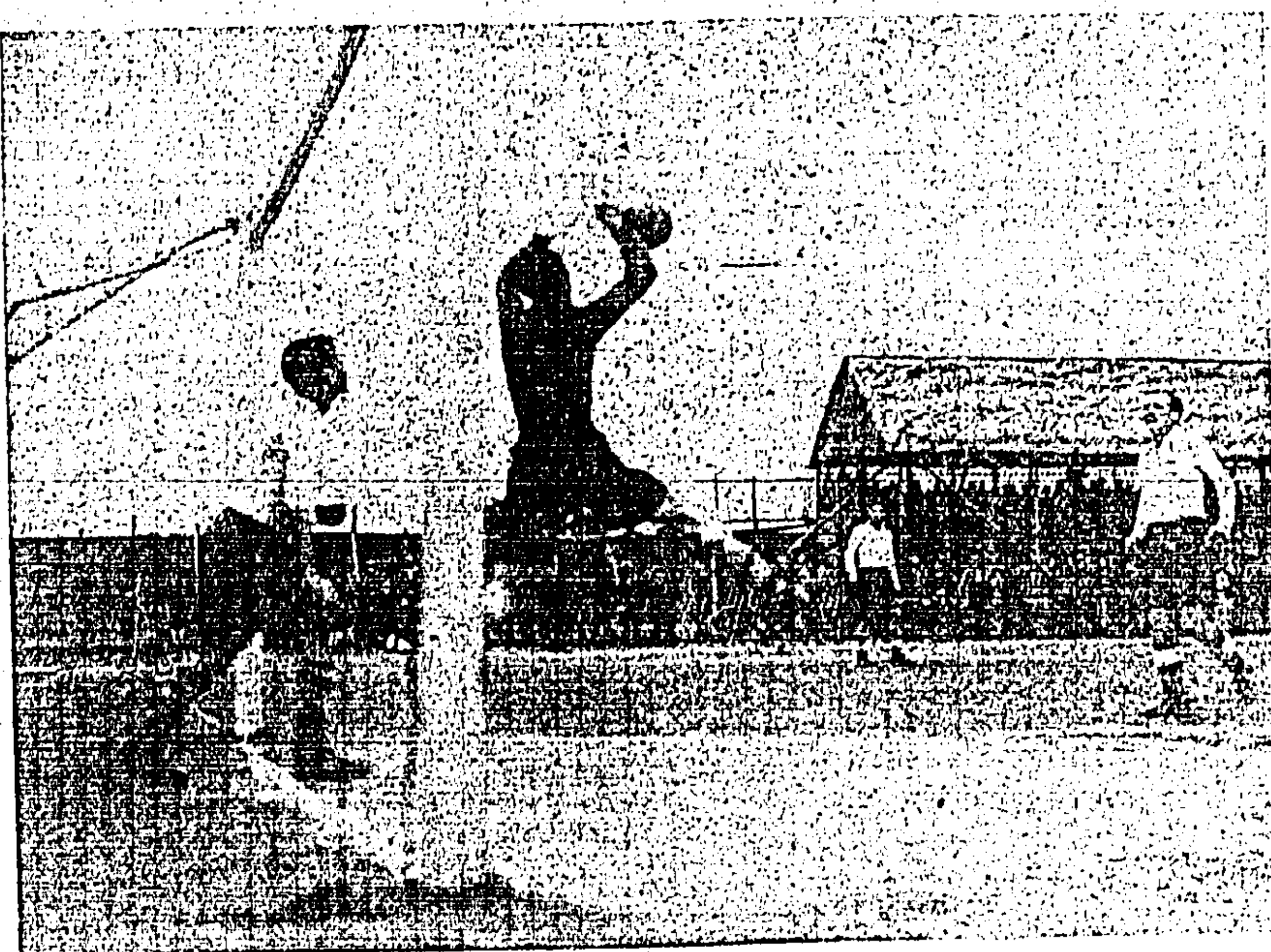
On the other hand, the English backs and halves were kept busy, though, fortunately for him, Hartley did not have as bad a time as he might, had the Chinese forwards been going all out for goals instead of weaving fancy patterns. Only one goal was scored against him in this half, by Lee Wal-tong.

Even before this goal was scored, there was little interest left in the game, and when the final whistle was blown, it came as a relief to everybody.

Credit must be given to the English halves, Freshwater, Bright and Wilkinson, and to the backs, Emberson and Parker, who made an unenviable one but they stuck to it gamely. Hartley, before his injury, was in rare form. The forwards, however, fizzled out after the opening minutes.

Teams: England: Hartley; Rides, Parker; Freshwater, Bright, Wilkinson; Emberson, Moss, Chesters, E. Strang and Duffield.

China: Tam Kwan-kon; Hou Yung-sung, Lee Tin-sung; Tang Chung-wan, Leung Wing-chiu, Hsu King-shing; Tang Kwong-sum, Fung King-cheung, Lee Wal-tong, Lai Shu-wing and Wong King-cheung.



Though he had already injured his left hand by this time, Hartley, the English goal-keeper, had no difficulty in dealing with this high shot in the international match played at Caroline Hill yesterday against the Chinese. However, Rides, the right back, was not taking any chances and can be seen inside the goal ready for any emergency.—Yuen Chun Studio.

INDIANS UNNECESSARILY CAUTIOUS: SAFE PLAY OVERDONE

NO ENTERPRISE SHOWN IN CRICKET FIXTURE WITH KOWLOON C.C.

Several of the arguments against league cricket which have been raised over and over again in Hongkong, were given forceful emphasis at the K.C.C. on Saturday, when the Indian Recreation Club, with 60 runs on the board for the loss of two wickets, bluntly rejected a grand opportunity to force a win, and satisfied themselves with an abject division of the points.

Some point might have been given to the visitors' tactics had they been interested in the destination of the shield, or had the K.C.C. attack been as good as the Indians tried to make it appear. But the first factor never entered, and the second was only a middle of the truth. In the half-truth, the Indians pushed and Madar took very cheap wickets, seven batsmen going in and out for an additional 30 runs.

E. F. Fincher batted beautifully, scoring with some nice, clean cover drives and glorious square cuts, but he was dropped off comparatively easy. His knock was lucky and was compared with that of his brother, but it was none the less valuable, and he made some effective shots on the leg side.

Minu always had the later batsmen in difficulties, while Madar bowled with fine precision from the other end. The Indians' fielding was hardly up to par, there were chances being missed, and there was occasional sloppiness in ground fielding.

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DOG-IN-THE-MANGER

A. H. Madar's 18 in 90 minutes might have ranked as a brilliant achievement under different circumstances. As it was, it was deserved to be regarded only as a dog-in-the-manger contribution. He could have doubled his score by using his feet, instead of moving back to his stumps for everything that was not obviously over pitched. Madar's innings was a splendid example of correct, rigid defence, but as an attempt to win a half-day cricket match, it was lamentable.

This sport, however, K.C.C. might have forced a clear-cut decision if Glittins had not dropped Arculli off a simple catch at mid-on when the Indian had scored about 20; for Arculli stayed for another very important 20 minutes, and helped to increase the score by 37. Arculli's knock was the bright spot of the I.R.C. innings. He made the majority of his runs by use of powerful, and perfectly timed pull-drive, and a sweeping stroke to square leg. He was especially severe on Lee, whom he hit for six in the boundaries, and he was finally rather unfortunate to be the victim of a brilliant c. and b. effort by Baxter, who held an express return very low and rolled over, still retaining the ball.

SMART WORK IN FIELD Another wonderful catch was made by All during the K.C.C. innings, when he held a big drive by Baxter high over his head on the boundary, after making about ten yards for the ball.

A third high-class piece of work was the stumping by Mackay of M. P. Madar off one of Lee's fastest balls. He popped up quickly and Madar's bat hit the balls off while Madar's bat was still waving dimly in the air. Mackay, in fact, kept splendidly. He did not concede a single extra, and he caught Minu, very neatly, off

Anderson, stumping the left-hander just to make certain.

The K.C.C. innings was very scrappy. The Fincher brothers figured in a fine third wicket stand which produced 60 runs, but both lost their wickets after reaching the half-century mark, and thereafter Minu and Madar took very cheap wickets, seven batsmen going in and out for an additional 30 runs.

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CIVIL SERVANTS REVEAL SPLENDID FORM OF DEFEAT INDIAN SECONDS

With such a fine bowler as C. W. Haynes and the well-balanced batting strength they revealed against the Indians at Sookunpoo, it is difficult to understand how the Civil Service seconds had not won a game in the Junior Cricket League until Saturday. True it is that the Indians were not at full strength, but this did not in the least detract from the merits of the Civil Servants' victory; for in almost every respect they were the better side.

As long as they have Haynes, Buckle and Warr bowling for them, the Civil Servants should not concede many runs if the fielding does not let the team down. The Indians discovered this to their cost on Saturday when the earlier batsmen, with the exception of M. T. Razack, who batted confidently for his 28, found it not only almost impossible to score but also difficult to keep their wickets intact against the bowling of Haynes, Warr and Buckle. Seven wickets were down for 48 runs when T. All and Y. T. Barma became associated in a partnership which took the score to 100 before All was dismissed after scoring a splendid 30. Both Barma and M. Hassan played invaluable innings of 18 and 14 respectively, which enabled the Indians to reach 121.

Haynes, who bowled unchanged, returned the excellent figures of 10 for 23.

These figures are sufficient proof of his sustained accuracy. A fast leg-break had the Indians in continuous difficulty and he cleaned bowled five batsmen during the afternoon.

TWO GOOD PARTNERSHIPS In the batting line, the Civil Servants had young G. Ansle to thank. To-day he played slowly, he gathered confidence as his innings progressed and finally batted very well indeed for his 51 not out, which was principally responsible for winning the game for his side. Three wickets fell for only 31 runs when he and W. A. Wright got together and they took the total to 77 before the latter left after making a hard-hitting 25. Later after four quick wickets had fallen, Ansle was associated with D. Wright in another stand which hit off the remaining runs needed for victory.

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SEVERE TEST FOR LADIES' HOCKEY INTERPORT TEAM

REST PLAYERS PUT UP SPLENDID RESISTANCE

(By "The Pillar")

The Probable Colony Ladies' Interport Hockey XI received a severe test at King's Park yesterday morning when they faced a Rest team, and after an interesting game won by three goals to one.

If one could nominate the one lady in this game who showed herself a great individualist, it was Mrs. Dalziel, the Colony inside left. She not only showed speed in her unaccustomed position but also proved that she is a marksman of a high degree.

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STEADY DEFENDERS Taking the Interports first, Mrs. Lunson in goal never faltered and I could not blame her for the goal which escaped her vigilance. Miss G. White was quite steady at right back, but she seemed to weaken a bit in the last half. Miss A. Fowle, her partner, tackled very hard but always fairly and was at times over-hitting to the disadvantage of her own side. The halves, Mrs. Stone, Miss I. Woolley and Miss I. Reid, kept a close watch on the opposing attack and were rarely at

fault. Mrs. Stone was really good in this game who showed herself a great individualist, it was Mrs. Dalziel, the Colony inside left. She not only showed speed in her unaccustomed position but also proved that she is a marksman of a high degree.

Of the Rest attack, Mrs. White, at inside left, was always neat in her passing schemes but she is now not as fast as of yore. Miss J. Ewing, on the right wing, did good work, maintaining her shine until the finish. Miss Greig, as a leader, was good in patting as a leader, neglected her wings. Little Miss B. Greaves, at left half, was the best of the intermediates; she marked well and fought many grand duels with Miss Barker and Mrs. Burnett.

Mrs. Wilmet did useful work and Miss Gray did much that was good, but she seems to be finding her loss of speed a bit of a drawback. It was a fast game, but one could not call it a particularly constructive one, though the Rest did exhibit some of the best of their first combination as a team.

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Straits Chinese Due In Hongkong Soon On Soccer Visit

The Straits Chinese footballers will visit Hongkong shortly. They are now in Manila for a series of matches, and when these are concluded they will proceed to the Colony.

The forthcoming visit has aroused tremendous enthusiasm in Chinese soccer circles in Hongkong. Matches have been arranged between the visitors and the South China A.A.

The following pen-pictures of the visiting team should be of interest:

Straits Chinese Win Opening Match

Manila Mar. 19. The Straits Chinese soccer team won their opening match in Manila to-day, beating the University of Santo Tomas by three goals to one.

In the first-half, the Chinese led by two goals to nil, and in the second, each side scored once.—United Press.

(After their tour of the Philippines, the Straits Chinese will come to Hongkong for a series of matches.)

Has been representing Perak in Malaya Cup since 1934. A member of the Malayan 1934 team to play in the semi-final against Hongkong Chinese in the Meet. A fine constructive and classy player.

Choo Seng-que—Centre half. Age 25. Singapore's centre-half since 1937. A tall and imposing figure who is almost verily a go-go player. Usually takes penalties for the side and got many goals from corner-kicks awarded to the side by his own work. Rather temperamental. Has played in Java, Shanghai, and Batavia.

John Chye—Half back. Age 23. A fast and tireless worker. Has played for S.R.C. (Selangor Chinese Team) since 1937. A reserve half back of the Selangor Malaya Cup team in 1938.

James Goh—Right wing. Age 21. A very strong successor to a long reign of off-grade winners who reigned into a very good constructive half. A very good constructive half. A very good constructive half.

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Flashes From World Sport

Running is one of Henry Armstrong's specialties. When "discovered" Henry was training for Piles Bunyon Derby, marathon race between Los Angeles, New York. That's 2,800 miles!

They're wisecracking over "Two-ton" Tony Galento, portly prospect for Joe Louis's punch. He's so fat, say sportsmen, his opponent's run round him a few times to complete their road-work!

Pigeon fanciers will be interested in the new U.S.A. race. Next September 15,000 pigeons will start at Charlottesville, fly 300 miles for \$100 prize, arrive at New York World Fair.

N.S.W. athletes competing in grueling three-mile walk under blazing sun won sympathy of track officials, who tried to lighten athletes' task by playing "Lambeth Walk" over amplifying system. "It didn't make journey any shorter," commented beet-red competitors.

Action of punter holding only tote ticket on winning horse at Victoria Park, Australia, nearly had tote staff swooning. His ticket won \$230. At pay-out window he distributed goodie portion round tote workers, who say it's first time winning punter has ever made gift.

Peter Kane (Golborne), holder of the world fly-weight boxing title, is to meet Paddy Ryan (Manchester) for the British championship, and the Board of Control have given promoters the title fight.

Ryan recently beat "Tut Whalley (Hanley) in the final eliminating bout for the right to oppose Kane, who won the world title when he beat Jackie Jurich, the American, at Liverpool, last September.

consecutive men applied for the post

Soccer

Irishmen Draw With Hungarians

Cork, Mar. 19. The International soccer match between Eire and Hungary, played here to-day, ended in a draw of two goals each.

A crowd of 20,000 saw the previously unimpressive Irish forwards attack fiercely and equalize in the last minute. The Irish defence was strong, Turner, at centre-half, being outstanding.

The Hungarians' positional play was superior but the Irishmen were faster.

Bradshaw, the Irish centre-forward, scored, but Zsengeller replied. The second half, too, even, the Hungarians taking the lead through Kollar, and Caray, the Irish inside left, scoring the equalizer.

Irish Sweep Draw Starts To-day

Dublin, Mar. 19. To-night the lights are dimmed in the historic Round Room of Dublin Mansion House and a great figure of the Angel of Peace, towering over the silently pacing figures of armed guards keeping watch and ward under the vigilant eyes of Government-appointed auditors on the millions of counterfoils which await the Grand National race.

To-day witnessed the third mixing of the counterfoils and until the last minute thousands of people, including a great many from Great Britain, circled through the Round Room to witness the brilliant spectacle of 250 pretty Irish girls in medieval costumes tending the pneumatic mixing machines in a blaze of artificial sunlight.

When the actual draw commences on Monday, the horses will first be dealt with, and the holders of lucky tickets the world over will be promptly notified by cable of their success.

Everybody who draws a horse, even if it is not in the first three or is a non-runner, will be assured of a prize of £250. Drawers of the winning horse will receive £20,000, and drawers of the second horse £10,000.

Von Cramm Returns To Tennis World

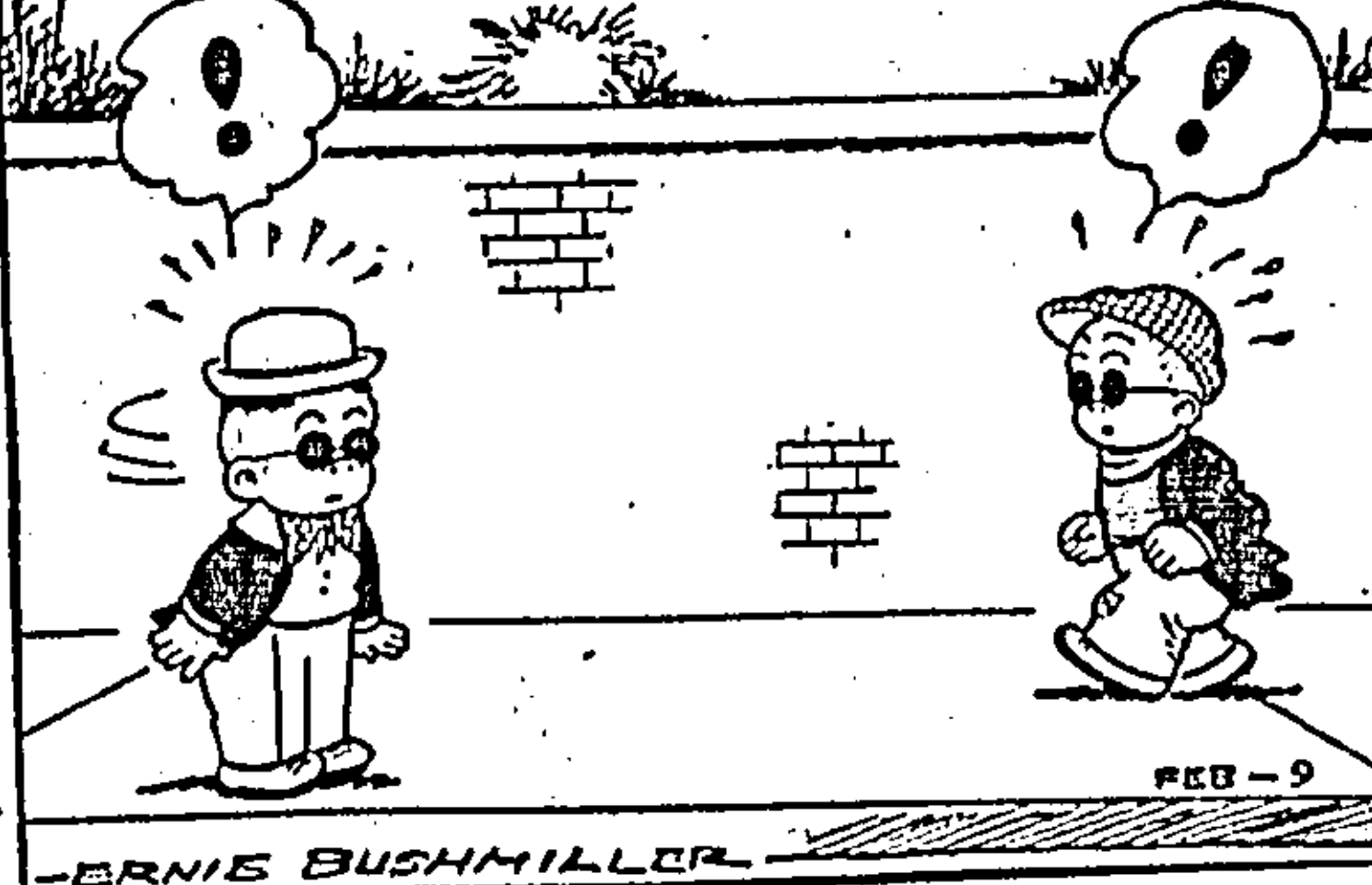
Cairo, Mar. 19. Gottfried von Cramm, the former German Davis Cup player, after a year's absence, returned to tournament tennis here.

Playing for an international team on Saturday, he beat the Egyptian, Nasser, by 6-0, 6-1.

On the second day of the draw, handsome residual prizes, together with a great many prizes of £100 each, will be drawn.—International Press Bureau.

By Ernie Bushmiller

NANCY



Drastic Revision Of Rugby Laws Needed

UNION PRESIDENT'S COMMENT FINDS READY SUPPORTERS

London, Mar. 1.

Do the Rugby laws need revision? Speaking at the Surrey County jubilee dinner Major-Gen. B. A. Hill, President of the Rugby Union, made a comment that will find sympathetic support in many quarters.

It was to the effect that in his opinion the laws should be drastically overhauled. The overhauling, he added, should be carried out in consultation with both players and referees, a constructive and wise criticism with which players and referees will certainly agree.

That not a great number of players could pass an examination on the rules, which are manifold and complicated, does not matter a great deal.

What does matter is the growing restlessness among players and those who are closely connected with clubs for which they turned out and are still helping to run, writes Peter Lawless.

"The old cry that the game is for the player," said a club official the other day, "never had less significance than it has to-day, when an autocratic government rules a democratic game."

Certainly had players and referees been consulted the present hooking rule would never have come into force, with the ball going in "at moderate speed so that it just touches the ground beyond one foot of the nearest player in each front row."

Not only do the rules come in for adverse criticism, but the constitution of the Union itself is far from being universally approved. It is felt that too many of those in authority have outlived their period of usefulness; they are not only out of touch with the players, but out of sympathy, and by remaining in office they are blocking the way for younger men.

RETIRING PRESIDENTS

A frequently quoted example is that Presidents on retirement automatically hold office on the committee, on which they remain until death. In the case of the International Board, too, a member once elected can remain in office for his lifetime.

No one however has headed a revolutionary movement to see men who have done great service for the game compelled to sever their connections with it. But this could well be avoided by the adoption of the rule obtaining on the Scottish Union, where the retiring president retains a seat on the committee but has no power to vote.

Among the causes of dissatisfaction is the secrecy which veils so many of the activities of the Union Officials and players feel that they are kept too much in ignorance of what is being discussed and considered.

One point on which the bulk of players would like information is how our relations with France stand at the present time. The break with our Allies occurred away back in 1931, since when the French authorities have made frequent attempts to heal the breach, but little has been made public by the Union.

HISTORY OF THE BREAK.

The history of the break and the statement issued by a committee of representatives from each of the four home unions is worth recalling. In March, 1931, following the French Federation, the following statement was issued:

"After examination of the documentary evidence furnished by the French Federation and the dissentient clubs, we are compelled to state that, owing to the unsatisfactory condition of the game of Rugby Football in France, neither our Union, nor the clubs or unions under its jurisdiction, will be able to arrange or fulfil fixtures with France or French clubs at home or away after the end of this season unless and until we are satisfied that the control and conduct of the game has been placed on a satisfactory basis in all essentials."

The question that many players and club authorities are now asking is, what steps have the Rugby Union taken to find out whether the game in France has or has not been placed on a satisfactory basis in all essentials?

Scrummage Laws May Be Altered

Edinburgh, Mar. 19.

At a meeting held here today, the International Rugby Board discussed the 'scrummage' laws, and decided to form a sub-committee to bring forward the recommendations on this matter to the Board's next meeting on the eve of the Calcutta Cup match at Twickenham next year.

Four Home Unions considered a letter from the French Federation on the resumption of Anglo-French Rugby matches. The nature of the Unions' reply is not known.—*Reuter*.

ENGLAND BEATS SCOTLAND

London, Mar. 19.

A crowd of 70,000 went to Murrayfield to see the Calcutta Cup match between England and Scotland, which was won by the former by nine points to six.

The pitch was very soft and cut up following rain mid-way through the first half. The teams were unchanged except that Murdoch, of Hillhead High School, replaced K. C. Fyfe, who was ill, in the Scottish side.

Scotland kicked off and was prominent in several early attacks. After that England settled down and the three-quarters handled the ball contentedly. Scotland was getting the ball from the line-outs, but England was better in the scrums.

Fine work in the loose troubled the Scottish defence, but in spite of that Murdoch scored a grand try in the thirtieth minute. Crawford's attempt to convert was disallowed, and apparently he touched the ball.

England heeled from the scrum and after another scrum, Shaw scored an unconverted try. Three minutes later, Heaton went over for a penalty goal from 35 yards and in the 35th minute he equalised the scores for England with another penalty goal.

England attacked on the resumption, and Scotland was forced on the defensive. Roberts was magnificent, repeatedly saving the situation. England was definitely on the ascendancy but Scotland stood up to the intensified attacks in a spirited manner.

England went ahead, when Heaton scored his third penalty goal, following a scrum infringement. Shaw then went to stand-off half in an effort to revive the Scottish hopes, but Scotland saw little of the ball.

There was no further scoring. England regained the Calcutta Cup. They are sharing the International championship with Ireland and Wales, each having four points.—*Reuter*.

OUR SPELLING BEE (see page 7) gravamen—groundsel—contemptuous—pedometer—scullion—pellican.



Robert Donat and Rosalind Russell in "The Citadel," adapted from Dr. A. J. Cronin's famous book of that name. The picture will shortly be shown in local theatres.

Samuel In Last Four In English Championships

London, Mar. 19.

A. S. Samuel, Malayan badminton player, has reached the semi-finals of the All-England championships and will meet Madsen, of Denmark, to-day. Madsen beat Samuel in the final of the Welsh championships and is a hot favourite for the All-England title.

Should Samuel succeed against him to-day he seems almost certain to win the championship. Few critics favour the Malayan but most of them concede that he is capable of beating the best players in the world on his day.

Samuel's progress up to the present has been: beat Mason 15-0, 15-0; beat Wingfield 15-5, 15-7; beat Baldwin 12-15, 18-16, 15-13.

Schmidt, of Denmark, beat M. P. Yeong, of Malaya, in the first round 9-15, 15-11, 15-5.

(Madsen won the title eventually, beating Samuel in the semi-finals and Ralph Nichols, holder, in the final.)

Straits Chinese Coming To H.K.

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presented the Chinese and Singapore teams. Played for Singapore in Malaya Cup games in 1934, and dropped out for some time. A friendly regained his real form in a friendly State match in 1937 and has never looked back since. Malaya Cup Representative 1934, 1937, and 1938.

Ha Tee-siang—Inner right. Age 21. With James Goh as his partner he gained State honour in 1939 and with luck from injuries should hold this position for some time to come. A rather tricky player with good ball control, and kicks when least expected. Malaya Cup Rep. 1938.

Chia Keng-hock—Centre forward. Age 26. Has been a first class player since 1931. Played very little soccer last year and is now making another come-back. Toured Malaya with South China A.A. in 1931. Considered still one of the best centre-forwards in Malaya. Can kick with terrific force either leg. Malaya Cup Rep. 1933, 1934, 1935 and 1937.

Yuen Quan-chong—Inner left. Age 26. Has been a regular member of the side since 1931. Can control the ball and has a fine body swerve. Malaya Cup Rep. 1938.

Loong Leck-boo—Inner right or left. Has been a regular member for Selangor Chinese from 1931 to 1934. Went to Canton to further studies. Football Captain of Sun Yat Sun University (Canton) 1936-1937. Malaya Cup Rep. (Selongor) 1934 and 1938. Good ball control and kicks well with both legs.

Lee Hui-choo—Inner right. Age 27. Reserve forward but still can show some of his old-time fine play. Represented Singapore in friendly games some years ago.

INTER-CLUB TENNIS

In an inter-club tennis match played yesterday, the Kowloon Bowling Green Club defeated the Kowloon Dock Recreation Club by 86 games to 55.

Malaya Cup team as left-winger. Plays better as left-winger than in the forward. Very tricky and good feeder.

WEEK-END FOOTBALL RESULTS

Sunday Herald Charity Cup (Semi-final)		
China	4	England 1
R. Navy	0	Eastern 1
Middlesex	3	St. Joseph's 0
Police	4	S. China "A" 3
S. China "B"	3	Kowloon 0
Second Division		
Engineers	0	Middlesex 1
Kowloon	2	5th Bde. 5
Kwong Wah	3	Club 1
S. China	4	Police 1
Third Division "A"		
30th Bty.	2	Rit Chee 1

LEAGUE TABLE

First Division		
P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.		
Navy	19	3 3 50 24 29
S. China "A"	17	3 0 4 01 16 28
Eastern	16	11 3 4 45 30 25
Middlesex	19	8 3 7 42 34 21
S. China "B"	19	8 3 8 36 33 19
Kwong Wah	20	6 6 8 34 44 18
Kowloon	17	7 3 7 22 25 17
Police	19	8 0 11 44 55 16
R. Scots	17	4 7 8 33 52 15
Club	19	4 1 14 32 55 9
St. Joseph's	13	2 13 20 56 7
Second Division		
P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.		
Middlesex	22	18 1 3 82 30 37
5th Bde.	21	18 3 2 01 22 35
S. China	20	16 2 2 58 23 34
R. Scots	21	16 2 4 42 19 33
Kwong Wah	20	12 0 8 58 54 22
R. Engineers	21	9 2 10 53 01 20
R.A.O.C.	22	7 0 15 36 53 14
Kowloon	22	6 2 14 27 75 14
Police	22	6 1 13 33 23 13
St. Joseph's	22	6 1 13 33 23 13
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TRIPARTITE MEET

Japan, Manchukuo and Chinese Athletes to Compete

Tokyo, Mar. 18.

Supported by the Japan Athletic Association and the Manchukuo Athletic Federation, a tripartite athletic meet will be held in Manchukuo this fall between Japanese, Manchukuo and Chinese athletes. It was announced here to-day. Detailed arrangements are in progress between the authorities of the three countries concerned.—*Domei*.

Recreio Team Beat Chinese In Play-Off

The following were the results of the softball matches played yesterday:

Men's League Play-off.—Recreio 3, Chinese Baseball Club 1.

Women's League.—Canadian Chinese 14, Filipino 10; Wildcat 25, Panthers 13.

International Series.—Philippines 7, Great Britain 4; India 3, Portugal "B" 1.

Inter-Hong League.—Seonyo 15, National City Bank 8; Texaco 25, R.A.P. 12; Dutch Bank 27, American Express 3.

BOAT RACE TRIAL

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In a trial over the full course from Putney to Mortlake, the Cambridge boat race crew returned the time of 10 mins. 59 secs.—*Reuter*.

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RIDING SCHOOL SPORTS

Although weather conditions were far from ideal, competitors at the Hongkong Riding School's annual sports gave excellent exhibitions of the art at the School grounds at Tai Hang Road yesterday.

Some excitement was caused when Mr. R. Brooks was thrown off his pony in the jumping competition, but he was unhurt as he managed to cling on to the reins and pull himself up after being unseated. There were one or two other minor incidents, but the events were carried on quite smoothly with no untoward happenings.

For the third year in succession, Frankie Langley annexed the Harriman Challenge Cup after a hard tussle with Veronica Walker. Miss Mary Steele-Perkins rode very well in the Advanced Children's Competition to win. Master G. Leckie put up a very good display to secure second prize.

Miss Nancy Kerrison won the Adult Learners' Competition with ease, to beat Ronnie Brooks who ran second. Mr. Luke Wingay was third.

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In the second and third classes of the Children's Learners' Competition, Mary E. Rasch and Master A. Forsyth were successful. The third class resulted in a win for Master F. Hechtel and Miss George Holmes. Miss Veronica Walker and Miss Penelope Dowdell were first and second in the Wee Ponies and Bare Back competition, the latter being Back with arms folded.

The last event on the card was a very good display of jumping, which was won easily by Nancy Kerrison. Second place was taken by Frankie Langley, who carried off the Harriman Challenge Cup presented by G. A. Harriman.

Before calling on Mrs. John Fleming to present the prizes, Lt. Col. H. B. L. Dowbiggin said that the parents of the children should be grateful to Mr. Bob Charles for having such a splendid school organized for them.

He further said that the judging had been extremely difficult this year, while the riding had improved immensely. He then congratulated all the pupils, and Mr. Charles in particular, for the great progress in the school.

Miss V. Walker presented a bouquet of flowers to Mrs. Fleming at the conclusion of the prizegiving, while three hearty cheers were given for Mrs. Fleming and Bob and Mrs. Charles.

Besides Col. Dowbiggin, the other judges were Major F. Hogg, Capt. L. M. Reidy and Capt. A. Hutton Potts.

Winning Competitors

The following were the prize-winners:

Target Competition.—Miss Brock.

Adult Learners' Competition (Class 2).—1, Miss B. Penney; 2, Miss N. Hogg.

Advanced Children's Competition (Class 3).—1, Miss M. Steele-Perkins; 2, Master G. Leckie.

Adult Learners' Competition (Class 1).—1, Miss N. Kerrison; 2, Mr. R. Brooks.

Advanced Children's Competition (Class 2).—1, Miss M. Fleming; 2, Miss C. Hickman; 3, Master G. Weill.

Advanced Children's Competition (Class 1).—1, Master F. Langley; 2, Miss V. Walker; 3, E. Fleming.

Tiny Tots Competition.—1, Master B. Kerr; 2, Master C. Selby.

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OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"Holiday" (H.K. to-day).—Excellent new film treatment of the Barry play which argues that money isn't everything. Cary Grant decides that moderate wealth and a right to decide his own life pattern are worth more than millions, yachts, and a town house with an elevator. He gets his freedom and also Katharine Hepburn, offcast daughter of the household. Direction, screen play and acting are splendid throughout. Doris Nolan, Edward Everett Horton and Blinn Barnes are others in the cast.

"Fishermen's Wharf" (Queen's and Alhambra, to-day).—Though Bobby Dreen is the star of this show, in reality the best bits of the film are supplied by those tried old players, Leo Carillo and Henry Armetta, who are in their best form. Good entertainment, with a mixture of pathos, thrills and laughs in the right proportion.

"If I Were King" (Oriental, to-day).—Superb presentation of Justin McCarthy's dramatic and colourful tale of the poet who had his wish and ruled medieval France for one breathlessly exciting, gaily romantic week. With Ronald Colman, Frances Dee, Basil Rathbone, Ellen Drew and Henry Wilcox in the cast.

"Adventures of Marco Polo" (Majestic, to-day).—Starring Gary Cooper. The most romantic of any man ever made. A cavalcade of Oriental splendour and excitement.

"The Baroness and the Butler" (Cathay, to-day).—Films of this sort were very popular a few years ago when Hollywood was more influenced by the German film-makers than it is to-day. Here are the adventures of a butler who looks at a baroness. The story, given a political twist. William Powell, Henry Stephenson, Joseph Schildkraut and Annabella have the principal roles.

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I'm Never To Time!

By AN UNPUNCTUAL MODERN

I HAVE come to the conclusion that punctuality is an overrated virtue. We were never meant to live like clockwork toys or inhumanly accurate machines.

I myself have suffered from a laudable, but aggravating, desire to be in time and, having given myself at least half an hour too much, have been forced to pace wearily up and down a street, vainly trying to keep my mind off a coming interview.

Then, quaking, I have entered on the dot to find that someone else is late and keeps me waiting! Now, if I had been unpunctual, reasonably so, there would not have been time for disquieting thoughts and the all-important impression would have been made that I was a much sought-after person.

In social life, too, unpunctuality is an asset. The hostess who bears the strain of meeting strangers with tactful vivacity and of making conversation with a seemingly tongue-tied guest. How much better it is to arrive later and find a beaming host and a crowd of chattering people!

Also, the late-comer enters alone and is not one of an indistinguishable crowd. She can put on a model gown, a distinctive air, and sail into a room gracefully, on the heels of the threshold, sure that she will be the cynosure of admiring eyes.

An Elusive Air

Women, they say, should be elusive, perplexing, ever uncertain. That elusive air, I find, is—well—elusive; but it can be cultivated. The essential thing is never to do or be what is expected and one can start, I think, by being a little late.

The woman who keeps a man waiting, not too long, is infinitely more appreciated when she actually comes. He begins to wonder if she is safe, to realise how he misses her and how little he knows of the real "she." It does not do to be taken for granted.

Is there anyone who is punctual in the morning? Can anyone seriously like getting up? A few snatched minutes in bed at 7 a.m. are more enjoyable than a whole night of unbroken rest. My mattress always seems softer when I ought to get up, and the spice of excitement in the fact that I may miss my bus lends enjoyment to a trifle.

Life to a time-table is sadly uninteresting.

The late-comer is sought because she does not seek, because she is not over-eager. Unmethodical, maybe, but happy, she lives her own, not another's, life.

BEAUTY TIPS

At this season you may find that your skin is in a condition that is half-way between scalliness and blotchiness. You can correct it without elaborate care. Just use a cleansing cream before your soap and water washing every night and use a skin tonic to help perk up your skin. Once a week use a good stimulating cream or mask and leave a rich cream on your skin for half an hour or longer. Finish the treatment with a brisk slapping with a pad of cotton soaked in ice water or cold astringent.

SHORT CUTS

The offensive odour and smoke caused by oven spills may be checked by sprinkling a quantity of table salt over the spilled substance.

Fasten a paper bag over the mouth of the grinder with a rubber band when putting crackers and dry bread through the food chopper.

Of course you can wear these new short skirts ...

A lot of women are jibbing at the idea of wearing their skirts 17ins. off the ground. But there are ways of making short skirts look longer and more becoming.

THE new short skirt style started in America. Not surprising, because American women can usually count on their well-shaped greyhound legs as one of their best points.

But English women find these just-over-the-knee-length skirts pretty trying. Some of you are probably saying to yourself: "But I can't wear these short skirts." If so, this is what you must do:—

FIRST: Concentrate on getting all the lines of your suits and frocks vertical; panels, pleats, trimmings must run downwards; this will make your frock look longer than it actually is.

SECOND: Go in for petticoats, bound hems, anything which will add an extra inch or so without appearing to.

THIRD: Wear dark-toned stockings, matching your frock if possible.

FOURTH: Wear heels as high as you can comfortably take them. These will lift you and your skirt well off the ground without showing any more of your legs.

Here are two spring outfits—a suit and a frock—to illustrate the point:—

LEFT: Print frock in the silk with a small grey and white design. A white frilly petticoat shows an inch below the hem of the skirt, and is matched by another frill which curves down each side of the bodice, and another round the edge of each short sleeve. Neck of the dress is filled in with a plain white shirt front, caught at the neck by two buttons, and again at the waist. The skirt of the frock is made in six panels (giving a longer look) and flares to a wide hem.

RIGHT: Navy blue suit in wool twill. Here again the lines are all long and curved on the short jacket, which is tight-waisted and dips a couple of inches at the back. Inside is a pale blue waistcoat slip, and inside that a dark blue blouse. Jacket has a small blue velvet collar at the back. The skirt is short and full, yes, but the fulness comes from clumps of unpressed pleats which are attached down to the hips, and spring out from there, not the waist (a much easier line to wear).



Arabian Turnovers

- 1 cup butter
- 1 package cream cheese
- 2 cups flour
- 1/4 teaspoon flour

Cream butter and cheese then add flour and salt and mix to firm dough. Wrap in waxed paper and chill until very firm. Roll thin on a floured board and cut into 3 inch squares.

Place 1 tablespoon of the following date filling on each square then fold over bringing the corners together into a crescent shape. Arrange on a greased baking sheet and bake in a hot oven about 15 minutes.

Can You Apologise Gracefully?

CAN you apologise? Can you sincerely and humbly say "I'm sorry" when you know you are in the wrong, when you know you have caused a quarrel?

If you are the type of woman who can pocket her pride and take the first steps towards clearing the air of misunderstanding, one thing is certain. You are a sympathetic woman, an intelligent woman, and you have luck!

There is no doubt about it, it is difficult to take the initial step after a "tiff" and to be the one to offer the olive branch. "Please forgive me" are small words which mean so much, and yet they are often so hard to utter.

If we can bring ourselves to take the plunge and apologise, however, it is well worth while, for misunderstandings which may quickly be put right by a few simple words, assume terrible proportions if left to flourish in an atmosphere of dreadful silence.

How often two people drift further apart simply because neither of them will squish their pride and offer an apology?

Family Feuds

Family quarrels between relations can soon develop into bitter feuds if either side has not the courage to come forward and acknowledge itself in the wrong. The odd part is that no sooner does one side say they are sorry than the other immediately apologises, and that does not matter very much.

The thing that matters is making it up. So often both sides in a quarrel are wretched really, and we should never be in a hurry to long to be friends again. Even in blame others when there is a possibility of clearing the air so that things can be as before.

Madge Whitley



For a smart mixed foursome at bridge or poker, tiny evening hats find favour. Sally Victor designed these one of tri-coloured twisted velvet and the other of contrasting ostrich feathers mounted on black velvet. Both gowns were created by Elizabeth Hawes of metallic cloth. The one on the left is dark red, with low, square-cut neck and adjustable facings. The other is of silver cloth with just a hint of blue running through the entire gown.

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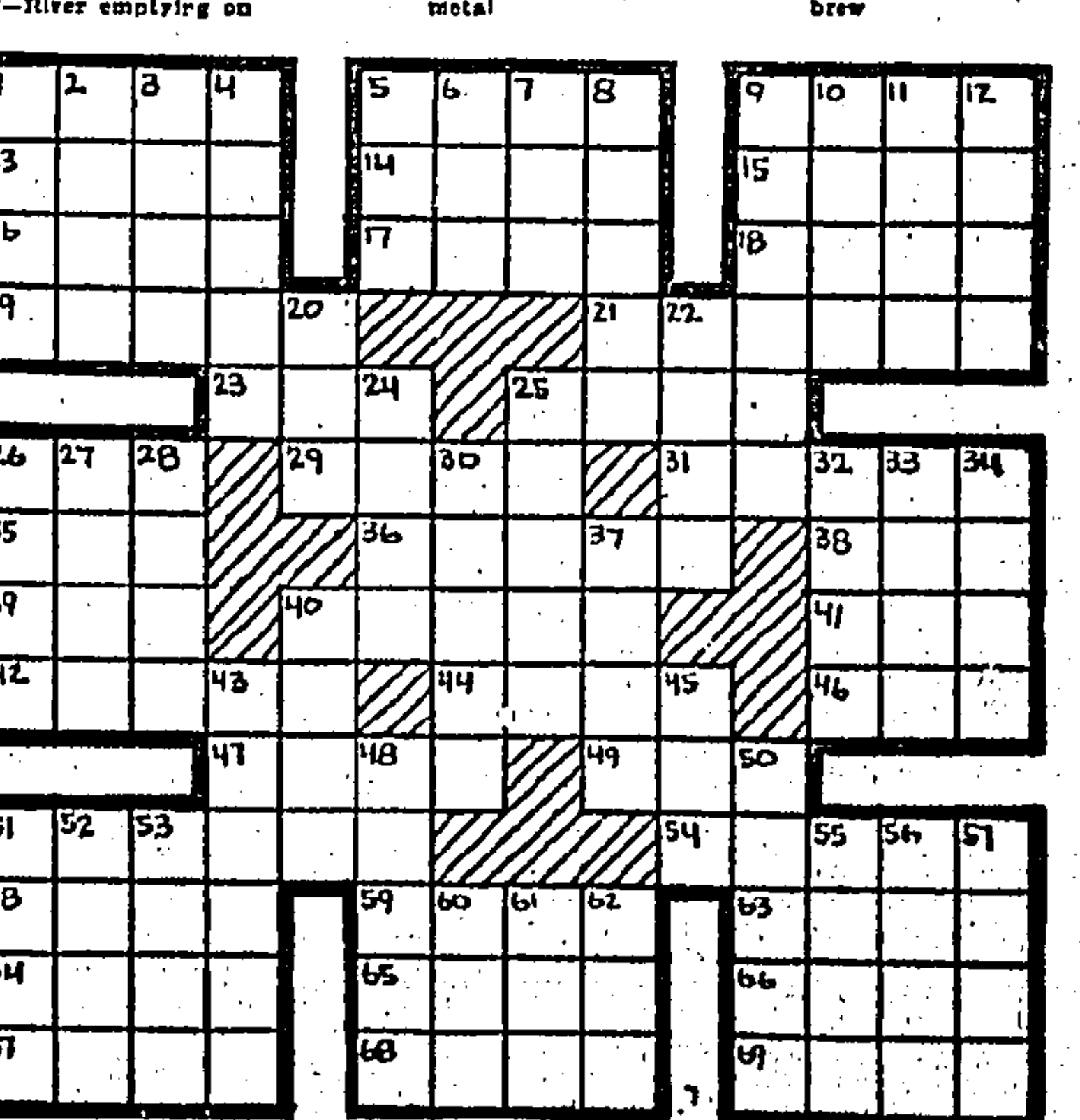
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Crossword Puzzle

By LAES MORRIS

- ACROSS
- 1—Utter wildly
 - 2—Leap
 - 3—Impetuous rush
 - 4—Where bread is made
 - 5—Fishes and occasional
 - 6—Biscuits
 - 7—Calcium oxide
 - 8—Drive to force
 - 9—Pertaining to climbing
 - 10—Fertile herb of bean family
 - 11—Confess frankly
 - 12—Natural gas
 - 13—Annoyance directed
 - 14—Aster palm
 - 15—Away from wind
 - 16—Chinopsis
 - 17—William
 - 18—Decomposed
 - 19—Owned by him
 - 20—Type of duck
 - 21—Common rodent
 - 22—Jew French
 - 23—At inward point
 - 24—Unnecessary activity
 - 25—Article of commerce
 - 26—Grating
 - 27—Bismuth
 - 28—Counter-tenor voice
 - 29—Public vehicle
 - 30—In football, one who
 - 31—Difficult billiard shot
 - 32—Door for leaving
 - 33—Instigate
 - 34—Present to view
 - 35—Passage of air
 - 36—Terminated
 - 37—Give anything objectionable to
 - 38—Story
 - 39—River emptying on
- ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE
- 1—Ancient money of account
 - 2—Paler
 - 3—Made joyful
 - 4—Charged with
 - 5—Electricity
 - 6—Egyptian sun-god
 - 7—Amphibian-like amphibian
 - 8—Curved support
 - 9—Victory of
 - 10—External appearance
 - 11—Small tree of oak family
 - 12—Iron disarranged
 - 13—Scene of last page
 - 14—American Conference
 - 15—River in Belgium
 - 16—Direct flame
 - 17—Yellowish color
 - 18—Put burden on
 - 19—British public school
 - 20—Navigator
 - 21—Island
 - 22—Christian festival
 - 23—Water barrier
 - 24—Commercial exchange
 - 25—Few loosely together
 - 26—Dinner roll
 - 27—Aster (Scottish)
 - 28—Father
 - 29—Aster (Scottish)
 - 30—Food dish
 - 31—Bottom of foot
 - 32—Water pitcher
 - 33—Parasitic larva
 - 34—Le French
 - 35—Favorite English brew



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H.E. the Vice Admiral, Sir Percy Noble, shaking hands with a Siamese official during the recent visit to Siam of H.M.S. Kent and Falmouth. — V. Chittinandana.



A combined team from H.M.S. Kent and Falmouth played soccer against the Royal Bangkok Sports Club XI during the recent British Naval visit to Siam. — V. Chittinandana.



Watching the soccer match in Bangkok. Included in the group are The British Minister Sir Josiah Crosby (with glasses) and Sir Percy Noble (3rd from right). — V. Chittinandana.



"A" Company of the 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment who were the winners of the Cross Country Team Championship. — Ming Yuen.

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20-Year-Old Razor Alleged Clue To Missing \$100 Banknote

A NOVEL IDENTIFICATION parade took place at Sheungshui police station last month when Eu Yuk-sim, a 48-year-old widow, claimed to be able to recognise a \$100 banknote which had been stolen from her by armed robbers a few days before.

Japan

Leopards Escape In Tokyo

Tokyo, Mar. 10. Alarm and excitement gripped the centre of the Metropolis yesterday when reports spread that fierce animals were let loose in a circus fire near Koda, Tokyo's traffic centre.

Police and fire-brigade squads as well as members of Young Men's Associations were called out to prevent disturbances, and when the fire was extinguished the animals were all captured.

With about 700 people attending, the Shibuya Circus was giving a performance in the central ward of the Metropolis on Saturday afternoon, when fire suddenly broke out near the animals' cages.

Two leopards, a camel, eight monkeys, and ten dogs were understood to have escaped as the flames spread. Intercepting traffic in the affected area, police and fire-fighting forces flung a cordon around the compound and succeeded in driving the wild animals into their cages.—Domet.

LOCAL JUDGES

Qualifications To Be Made Uniform

The draft of a short Bill to amend the Supreme Court and Full Court Ordinances is gazetted.

It is explained that the establishment of a Colonial Legal Service, the members of which are liable to transfer from one Colony to another, makes it important that the provisions of the law relating to the qualifications of Judges should be uniform throughout the Colonial Empire.

To promote such uniformity the Secretary of State, by a circular despatch dated July 29, 1938, has requested that an early opportunity be taken to arrange for a provision in the local statute law requiring that no person shall be appointed to be a Judge of the Supreme Court unless:

(1) he is qualified to practise as an advocate in a Court in England, Scotland, Northern Ireland or some other part of His Majesty's dominions having unlimited jurisdiction either in civil or criminal matters, and

(2) he has been qualified for not less than five years to practise as an advocate or solicitor in such a Court. The Bill is intended to make the necessary changes.

STANLEY GAOL HEAD

Lieut.-Cmdr. Harrison Takes up New Post

The appointment of Lieut.-Cmdr. Wilfrid Hugh Lane Harrison, R.N. (Ret.) as Superintendent of Hong Kong Prison, Stanley, was notified in the Government Gazette on Saturday. Lieut.-Cmdr. Harrison arrived in the Colony and assumed duty on March 15.

Retiring from the Royal Navy in 1932, Lieut.-Cmdr. Harrison spent two and a half years in the Prisons Department in England, and during the past four years had been attached to the Prisons Department in Kenya Colony.

The Superintendent of Stanley Prison is a new post recently created.

The story was related at the Criminal Sessions this morning when Man Ying and Cheung Kuen stood their trial for the robbery before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, and a jury.

Mr. J. B. Prentis, who conducted the Crown case, said that Eu's hut at Sheungshui Wai was raided by men in the early hours of January 29 and a quantity of money, jewellery and household goods stolen.

The following morning Eu set out along the Un Long highway with a Chinese detective and pointed out Man, whom she had not known before, as one of the men involved.

On him was found a \$100 Hongkong banknote and at his home a razor was discovered.

After questioning Man was released but five minutes later the woman reported that the razor was one of a pair which she owned and did not know then was missing.

A police party thereupon set out and brought Man back.

A few days later, continued Mr. Prentis, Eu picked out Man at an identification parade at Sheungshui police station and a test was made whether she could identify the \$100 note as the one stolen from her.

The note was put with seven other similar \$100 notes and handed to Eu, who, after a few minutes, selected the one which she claimed had been stolen from her. This was the one found on Man.

Corroborating Mr. Prentis's outline, Eu told the court that she identified her note as a small "V" had been worn in the note where it had been folded in the middle. She also recognised the Chinese character for writing in running hand on the top of the note and the character chain written in orthodox style in the middle.

Eu also claimed that the razor found in Man's home was hers.

"I have used that razor for 20 years," she said. "Part of the edge is bent and there is only one small portion of the blade that is serviceable."

The jury hearing the case comprises F. C. Mow Fung (foreman), Ng Chau-wah, J. A. Pereira, Omar el Arculli, L. Gaddi, Fung Tsun and Chan Wei-yuek.

The hearing is proceeding.

He Wed The Queen's Niece

"Love in a cottage" does not make the ideal marriage, according to Mr. Kenneth Harrington.

At the age of 26, he was a junior assistant in the Diplomatic Service, had been engaged for four years to the Queen's niece, Miss Cecilia Bowes-Lyon.

They broke off the engagement because they could not afford to marry.

They waited for nearly two years. He works in the City with the British Metal Corporation. "I did not think it fair to her to marry when I was in a junior position. Now I'm glad we waited," he said.

To their friends the re-engagement and marriage was no surprise.

THE BRIDE IS 27. She is the eldest daughter of Lord Glimis, a brother of the Queen and heir to the Earl of Strathmore, and lives at East Grinstead, Sussex.

The bridegroom is the youngest son of the late Judge Edward Harrington, a county court judge. From 1930 to 1932 he was hon. attaché to the British Legation in Stockholm.

At the age of 11, she was bridesmaid at the wedding of the King and Queen at Westminster Abbey.

23 Warships At S'pore Fleet Participates In Manoeuvres

TWENTY-ONE warships from the China Station, joined by H.M.S. Manchester, the flagship, and other vessels of the East Indies Station, have just concluded participation in manoeuvres off Singapore.

From Hongkong, the first arrivals were the destroyers Decoy, Duncan, Delight, Duchess and Diamond and the submarines Regent, Rover, Pandora, Rorqual, Parthian, Proteus and Orpheus. The submarines were accompanied by their mother ship H.M.S. Medway.

The warships put out to sea on Thursday, joining the China Station flagship, H.M.S. Kent, and H.M.S. Suffolk, Falmouth, Daring, Odeon, Obus, Westcott and the aircraft carrier Eagle.

Manoeuvres, in which Eagle's brood of warplanes participated, were carried out until yesterday, when the warships returned to Singapore.

During the exercises the fixed defences of Singapore fortress were tested from the sea and air.

The two Commanders-in-Chief, Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Noble and Vice-Admiral J. F. Somerville, participated in the manoeuvres aboard their respective flagships, H.M.S. Kent and H.M.S. Manchester.

Social Items

The weekly meeting of the Hongkong Group of the Peace Pledge Union will be addressed next Wednesday by the Rev. W. G. B. Ream, his subject being "Pacifism and the Church". The meeting will be held as usual in the Challenge Bookshop at 5.30 p.m., and is open to the public.

St. John's Cathedral Women's Fellowship are holding a Bridge and Mahjong Drive on Thursday, March 23, commencing at 3 p.m. Admission is \$1, including tea. Tables need not be made up beforehand.

Miss Phyllis W. Brown has been appointed Principal of Bellis Public School.

Mr. G. W. Sewell, of Messrs. Robertson, Wilson & Co., Ltd., has been transferred from the French Hospital, Causeway Bay, to the War Memorial Hospital at the Peak.

Two weddings took place before Mr. T. J. Gould, Deputy Registrar of Marriages, at the Registry on Saturday. Mr. Wong Yum-sai, 41, after at Kowloon Dock, married Miss Shi King-hing, teacher, of 15 Malauvel Road, Kowloon, the witnesses being Messrs. Shi Ka-hock and Hui Kwok-sun; and Dr. Choong Ka-khey, medical practitioner, married Miss Siu Yim-ling, of 23 Bonham Road, Hongkong.

NEW COUNCIL MEMBER

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. W. N. Thomas Tam to be temporarily an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council, in the place of the Hon. Dr. Li Shu-fan, who is temporarily absent from the Colony.

Mr. Tam is also appointed a member of the Traffic Board in place of the Hon. Mr. Lo Man-kam, resigned.

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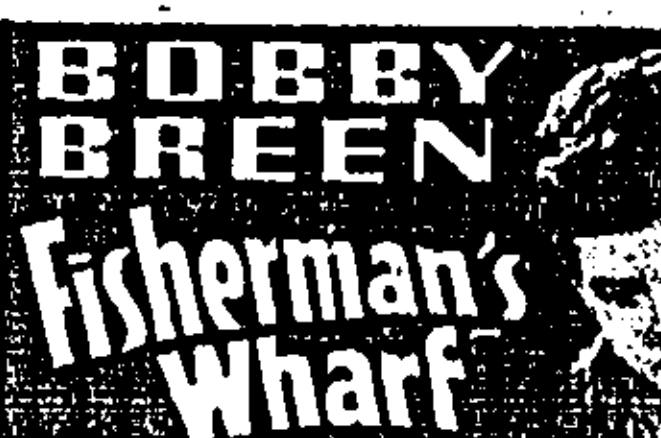
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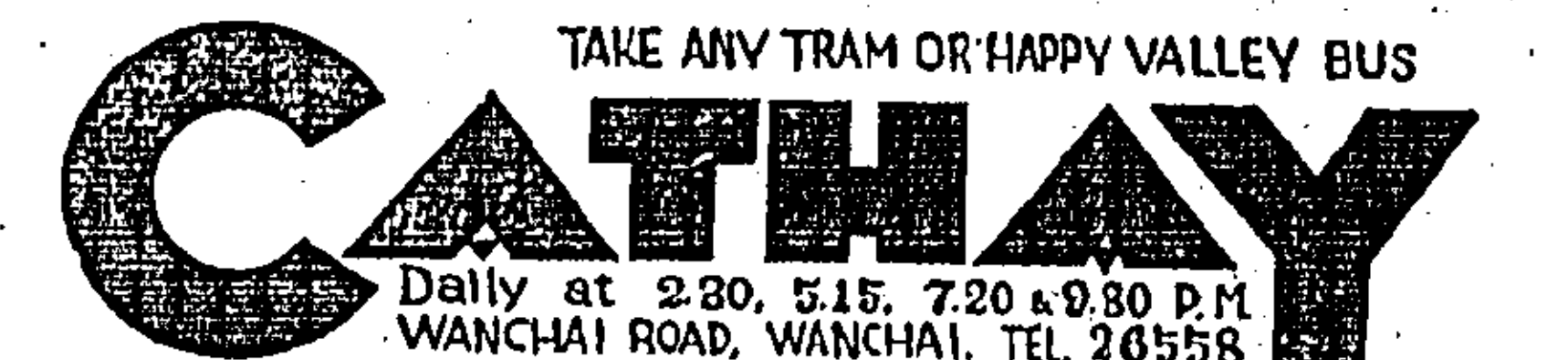
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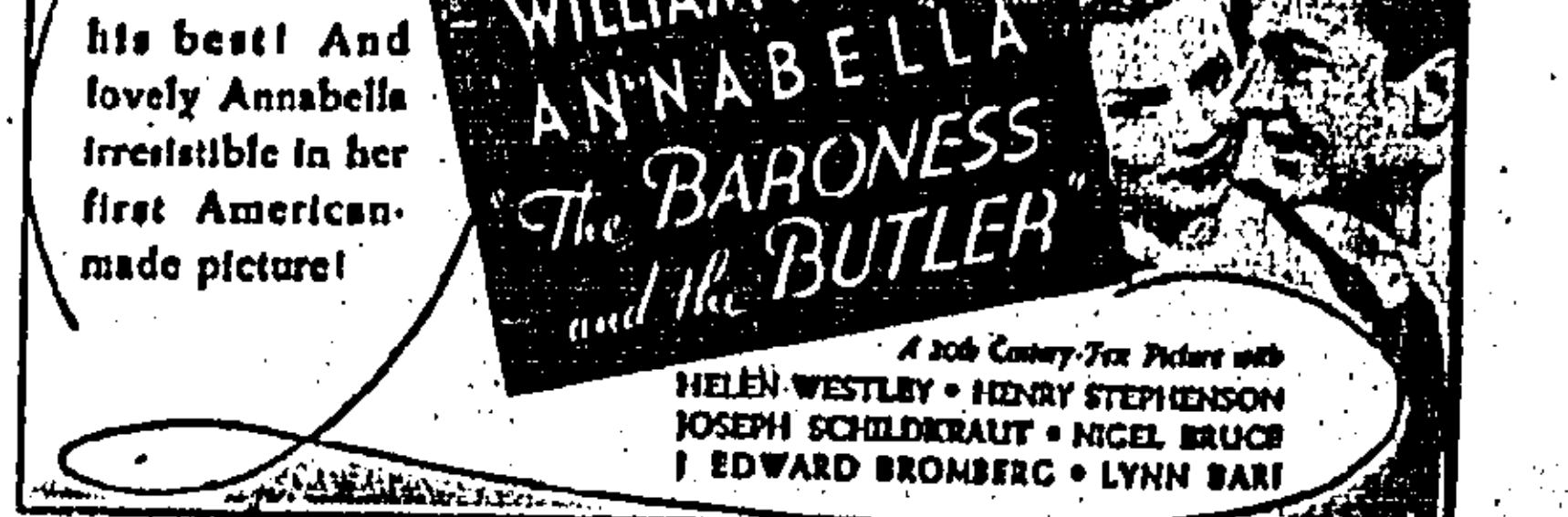
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